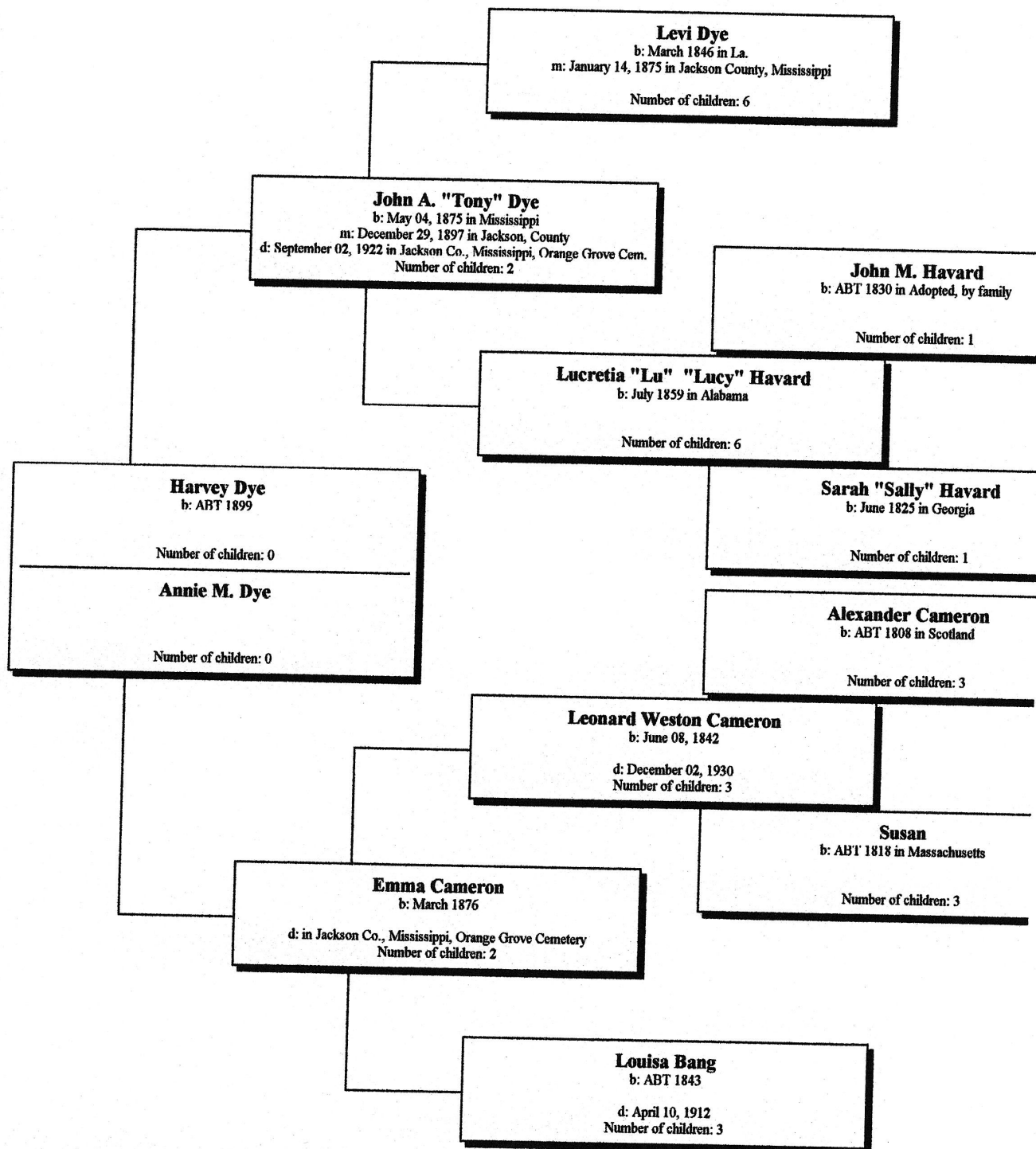


## Ancestors of Harvey Dye





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**Emma Cameron**

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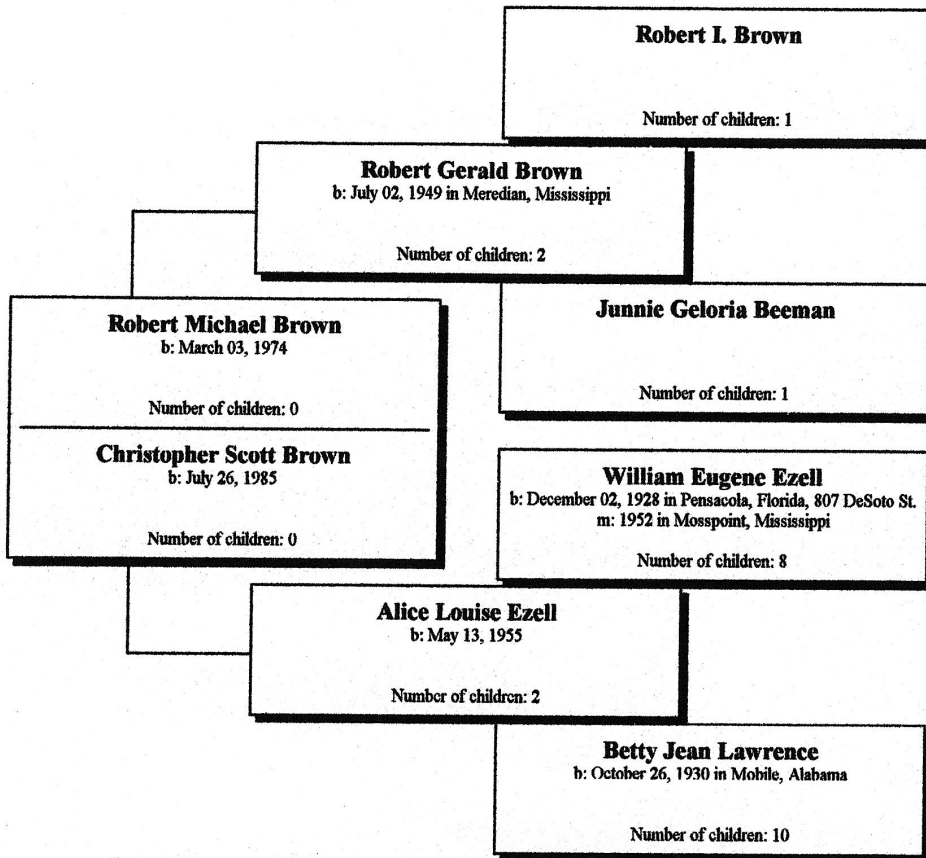
The following information seems to be the same person, Emma Dye, having a son Harvey Dye and husband John Dye, what is not understood is why it show Emma's husband John, as still served and his middle name is Albert, if he had gone by the nick name "Tony". And why is Emma Dye 45 years old in 1938, and I have her born March 1876, from a pension file of Leonard Cameron. But because I think its still her I have place the following information in this book.

According to a book in the mobile library, the genealogy section, titling "ABITUARIES, MARRIAGE AND CELEBRATIONS OF JACKSON AND GEORGE COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI ", copyright 1989, by Betty Clark Rodgers, it states on page 75, Jan. 14, 1938-Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon from the Fails Funeral Home in Moss Point for Mrs. Emma Gertrude Dye, 45 year old housewife who died Friday at her home in Kreole. She is survived by her husband, John Albert Dye, and one son, Harvey Dye, both of Kreole, and other relatives.

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**Ancestors of Robert Michael Brown**



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### Ancestors of Daniel Ernest Chaudron

**John Ernest Chaudron**  
b: June 12, 1870

d: October 09, 1946  
Number of children: 9

**John Simon Chaudron**  
b: January 22, 1919 in Alabama

Number of children: 3

**Daniel Ernest Chaudron**  
b: December 13, 1973

Number of children: 0

**Jane Irene Chaudron**  
b: March 29, 1979

Number of children: 0

**Fredrick Billion Chaudron**  
b: August 30

Number of children: 0

**Minnie Etta Welch**  
b: February 27, 1895

Number of children: 9

**Donald Berry**

Number of children: 1

**Carolyn Janice Shumock**  
b: January 1951 in Mobile, Alabama

Number of children: 5

**Betty Jean Lawrence**  
b: October 26, 1930 in Mobile, Alabama

Number of children: 10

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// Ezell, Unborn Child

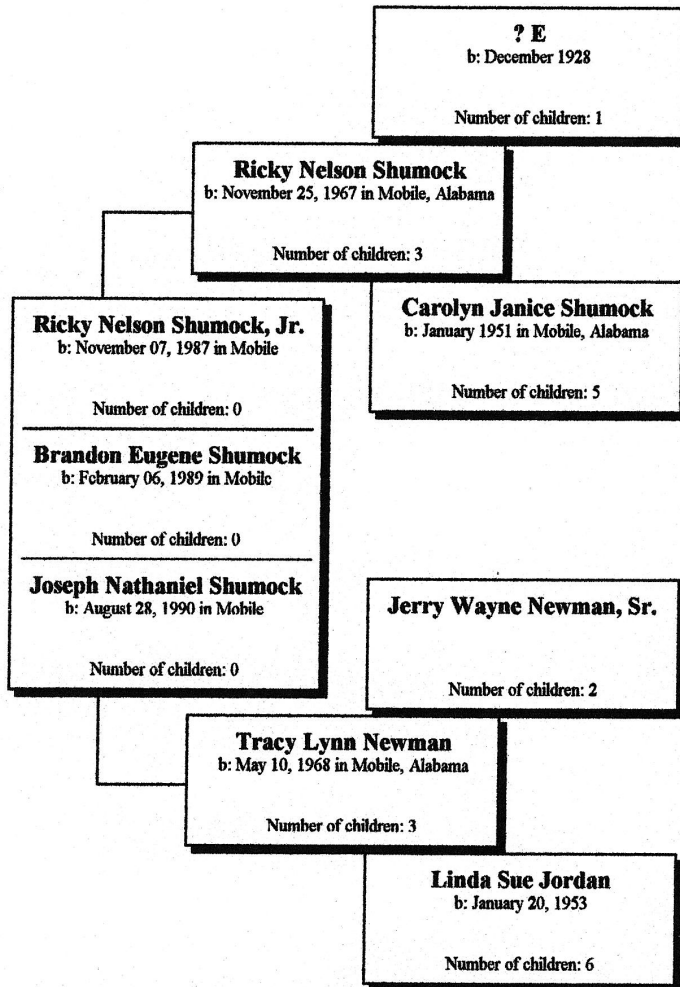
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Why, and for what reason this unborn did not make-it it will never be knowned.  
Linda, the mother was seeing a Doctor. Curtis E. Ezell was the husband at the time, recalls going with her to see the doctor, where she had a close examine with a scan; as curtis listen to the nurse who was performing the scan, it was indicated by her that she saw a form of the baby and pointed out some parts of it, although curtis had a hard time seeing it. Later after after the misscarriage Linda, indicated to Curtis, the husband that when she had chunks, and pieces of lumps e merge from her while useing the bathroom, and she indicated to curtis that it may-have been the embryo, and properly thats when she had the misscarriage.  
Curtis recalls that Linda was taken some substance prescription from the Doctor, ( as was told by Linda, to Curtis ).  
Linda, told Curtis after the misscarriage that the Doctor said to her why didn't she tell him that she was pregnant, after saiding what he said she response by saying "thats the reason I came to you."  
Curtis also recalls while Linda was pregnant, Curtis purchased a used motorcycle that wasn't working, he was unloading it from a small trailer because they had just moved to Westwood St., when Curtis trying to unload it himself finding Linda gripping the motorcycle and proceeded to take it off the trailer herself, Curtis asked her why did she do that, she responded by saiding that she feared it would fall on him, and she won't to help; ( Curtis wonder later after the marriage maybe she won't to lose the baby, or maybe it wasn't his, but was not truly sure of it ).

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## Ancestors of Ricky Nelson Shumock, Jr.



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Curtis Eugene Ezell	
Born:	June 27, 1953
in:	
Source:	
Died:	
in:	
Source:	
Relationship with Father:	Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Natural
Reference number:	
<b>Address and Phone(s)</b>	
Street 1:	
Street 2:	
City:	
State or province:	
Zip or postal code:	
Country:	
Phone(s):	
<b>Medical</b>	
Height:	
Weight:	
Cause of death:	
Source:	
<b>Medical Information:</b>	
Source:	
<b>Occupation:</b>	
	June 1978
	Mobile Animal Shelter
Source:	
Ntnlty/Relig:	
Source:	
Comment 1:	
Source:	
Comment 2:	
Source:	
Address:	10869 Waltman Pl. So. Wilmer Alabama 36587
Source:	
Source:	
Source:	
Phone:	(344) 669-2321
Source:	
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*For more information on Ezell family,  
and other families, call Curtis Ezell*





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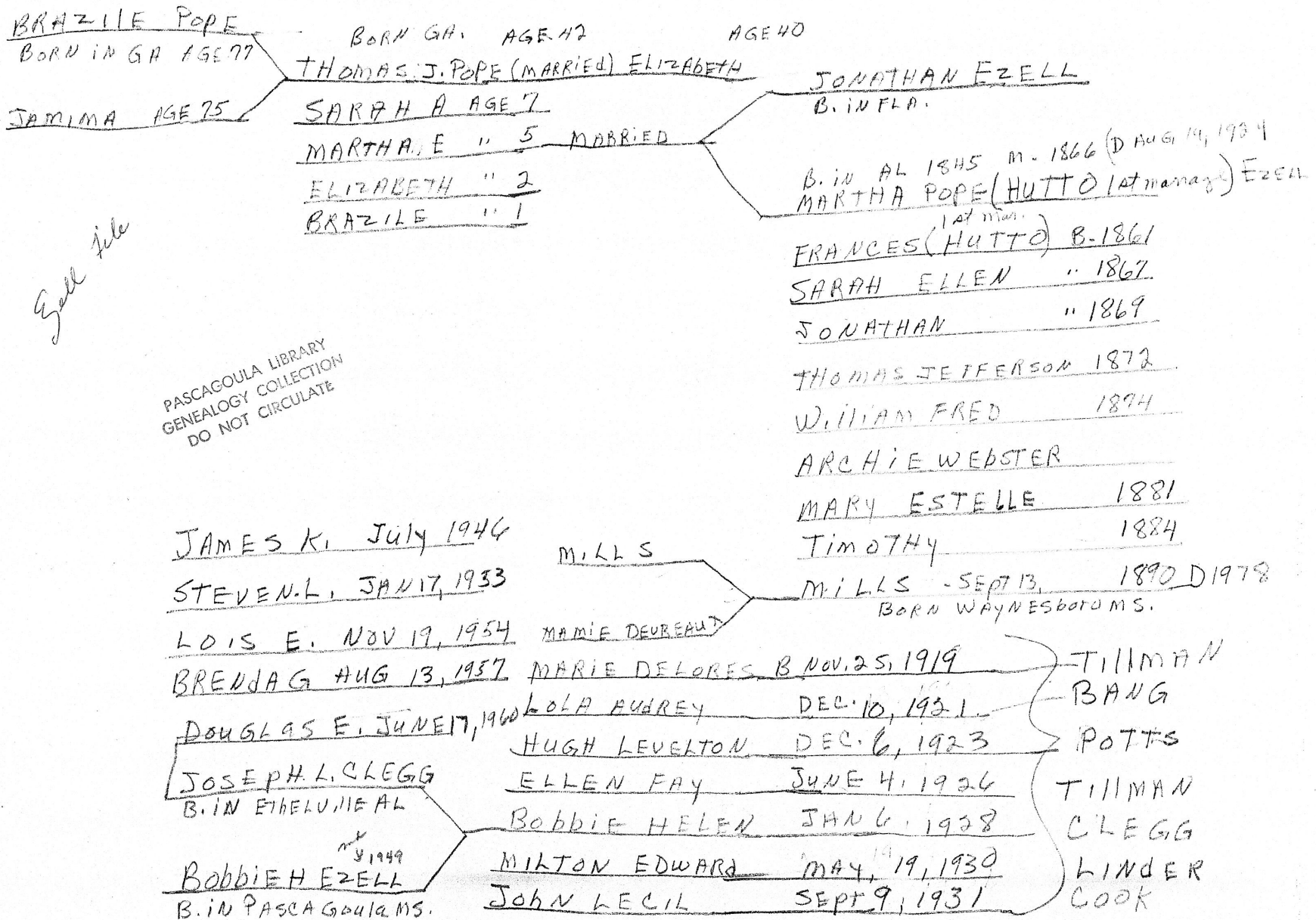
E	4	Va.
(1777-1778.)		
John Ezell		
Priv., { Captain George Walls' Co. of the 4th Virginia Regiment of Foot. (Revolutionary War.)		
Appears on		
Company Muster Roll		
of the organization named above for the month of Dec, 1777.		
Roll dated Jan. 7, 17		
Appointed, 17		
Commissioned, 17		
Enlisted, 17		
Term of enlistment		
Time since last muster or enlistment		
Alterations since last muster		
Casualties		
Remarks: Dec. 24 Light Horse		

D	4	Va.
(1777-1778.)		
Mrs. Ezell		
Priv., { Captain George Walls' Co. of the 4th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Col. Robert Lawson. (Revolutionary War.)		
Appears on		
Company Pay Roll		
of the organization named above for the month of Jan, 1777.		
Commencement of time, 17		
Commencement of pay Oct 1, 17		
To what time paid, 17		
Pay per month 6 2/3 Dollars		
Time of service 1 month		
Whole time of service		
Subsistence		
Amount		
Amt. of pay and subsistence		
Pay due to sick, absent		
Casualties		
Remarks:		

E	4	Va.
(1777-1778.)		
John Ezell		
Priv., { Captain George Walls' Co. of the 4th Virginia Regiment of Foot, com- manded by Col. Robert Lawson. (Revolutionary War.)		
Appears on		
Company Muster Roll		
of the organization named above for the month of Oct, 1777.		
Roll dated Nov 4, 1777.		
Appointed, 17		
Commissioned, 17		
Enlisted, 17		
Term of enlistment		
Time since last muster or enlistment		
Alterations since last muster		
Casualties		
Remarks: In Camp		

E	4	Va.
(1777-1778.)		
John Ezell		
Priv., { Capt. George Walls' Company, 4th Virginia Regiment. (Revolutionary War.)		
Appears on		
Company Pay Roll		
of the organization named above for the month of Dec, 1777.		
Commencement of time, 17		
Commencement of pay, 17		
To what time paid, 17		
Pay per month 2 2/3 Dollars		
Time of service 2 1/2 Days		
Whole time of service		
Subsistence		
Amount of pay & subsistence 1-12		
Amt. of pay and subsistence		
Pay due to sick, absent		
Casualties		
Remarks:		

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109	169	167	Ezell, Jonathan	W	M	35								laborer			Fla.	Fla.	Fla.		See 1860 Census
			M. Ellen		F	32		wife									Fla.	Ga.	Ga.		
			S. Ellen		F	13		da.									Miss.	Fla.	Fla.		
			Jonathan		M	9		Son									"	"	"		
			T. J.		M	8		Son									"	"	"		
			W. F.		M	5		"									"	"	"		
			A. W.		M	2		"									"	"	"		
170	168		John, Ezell	W	M	80								Farmer			Ga.	Mo.	N.Y. or N.J. (?)		
			Alex		M	25		Son									Ga.	Ga.	S.C.		
			J. H.		M	23		"									Fla.	Ga.	S.C.		
			Benja		M	18		"									Miss.	Ga.	S.C.		
			E. S.		F	16		da.									Miss.	"	"		

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**FAMILY GROUP No.**

**Husband's Full Name** Pope, Emanuel

**This Information Obtained From:**

Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
1870			1870			S. N. C. Co.	
Census 510-510, 509-509	Chr'nd						
1880			1883				
Census 493-509	Mar.	22					
	Death						
	Burial						

**Places of Residence**

**Occupation**

**Church Affiliation**

**Military Rec.**

**Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.**

**Make separate sheet for each mar.**

**His Father**

**Mother's Maiden Name**

**Wife's Full Maiden Name** Mary M. Chancellor

Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
			1825				
	Birth						
	Chr'nd						
	Death						
	Burial						

**Compiler**

**Places of Residence**

**Address**

**Occupation if other than Housewife**

**Church Affiliation**

**City, State**

**Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.**

**Make separate sheet for each mar.**

**Date**

**Her Father** John Chancellor

**Mother's Maiden Name** Rachael Hutto

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Jasper Full Name of Spouse* Cecelia Burge	Birth			1844				Emanuel, W.J. Charles, Robert John E., Wood H.P.
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
2	Emaline Full Name of Spouse* Wade	Birth			1847				
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
3	Samantha Full Name of Spouse* Gibson	Birth			1850/5				
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
4	Beckman Full Name of Spouse*	Birth			1857				
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
5	Alfred B. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth			1869				
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
6	John E. Full Name of Spouse* Ally	Birth			1843				
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
7	James K. Full Name of Spouse* 1st Ellen	Birth			1855				2nd Dolly Bell (Both killed in storm)
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8	Mary A. Full Name of Spouse* D. P. Truby (?)	Birth			1834 (by 1st wife)				1850 Census Henry Co. Ala. Book 1 p 11
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
9	Rachael Full Name of Spouse*	Birth			1835 (by 1st wife)				1850 Census Ala. Census
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
10	Francis M. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth			1835 (by 1st wife)				
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							



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11. Jane b. 1838 (by 1st wife)

1850 Census Henry Co. Ala.

12. Mascara b. 1847

13. Sarah A 1849

Told to me by Ella Pope Chancellor (widow of James Hutto Chancellor) Hezekiah Pope (had sons Malone & Jeff who called Jasper Pope uncle)

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31	33	Ezel,	John	69	m	w	Farmer			Ga.								
			Nancy	29	f	w				S.C.								
			W.A.	16	m	w				Fla.								
			J.H.	14	m	w				"								
			Napsey	13	f	w				Miss.								
			Benjamin	11	m	w				"								
			Effie	6	f	w				"								
46	48	Ezell,	Johnathan	27	m	w	Cuts wood			Fla.								
			Martha	21	f	w				Miss.								b. ca. 2829
			Sarah	3	f	w				"								
			Johnathan	1	m	w				"								
			Frances	9	f	w	domestic servant			"								
86	92	Ezel,	Lewis	42	m	w	Farmer			Ga.								
			Margaret	40	f	w				Miss.								
			Jarvis	13	f	w				"								
			Nancy	10	f	w				"								
			Margaret	7	f	w				"								
			Susan	3	f	w				"								
			Lewis	1	m	w				"								



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								SELF	FATHER	MOTHER	
351	139-139	John Ezell	59	m	w		farmer	ga			b-1801
		Nancy	40	f				S.C.			b-1820
		Jonathan	21	m			labourer	Fla.			b-1839 ?
		Jimaha	17	m				"			b-1843
		Wm. A.	8	m				"			b-1852
		John H.	5	m				"			b-1855
		Nepsey A.	4	f				Miss			b-1856
		Benjamin A.	1	m				"			b-1859
[sic]	141-141	E. L. Ezell	30	m			farmer	ga			
		Margaret E.	29	f				Miss			
		Martha J.	4	f				"			
		Nancy J.	1 1/2	f				"			

great grand  
father's  
birthplace  
indicated  
married  
about 1850



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								SELF	FATHER	MOTHER	
31-33		<u>Ezell, John</u>	69	m	w		farmer	Ga			born 1801
		Nancy	49	f	w			B.C.			
		W.O.	16	m				Fla.			
		J.H.	14	m				"			
		Napsey	13	f				Miss			the family moved to Miss by 1857
		Benjamin	11	m				"			
		Ebbie	6	f				"			
46-48		<u>Ezell, Johnathan</u>	27	m			Cuts wood	Fla			b <sup>c</sup> 1843
		Martha	21	f				Miss			ca 1849
		Sarah	3	f				"			
		Johnathan	1	m				"			
		Frances	9	f			domestic servant	"			
86-92		<u>Ezell, Lewis</u>	42	m	w		farmer	<del>Miss</del> Ga			
		Margaret	40	f				Miss			
		Jessie	13	f				"			
		Nancy	10	f				"			
		Margaret	7	f				"			
		Susan	3	f				"			
		Lewis	1	m				"			

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1880 Jonathan  
35  
1845

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COUNTY: Greene Vol. Micro

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		M. Ellen	32	f	W	wife		Ala.	Ga	Ga	
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		Benja.	18	m	"	"		Miss	Ga	S.C.	
		Eddy	16	f	"	daug.		Miss	Ga	S.C.	

Comment: John Ezell + family apparently lived in Florida about 1839-1856. See Census rec 1860/1880





FOUR GENERATIONS

Mrs. M. E. WOODWARD (Leonora Josephine EZELL), Great Grandmother holding Great Grandson, Joseph Scott (Scotty) VANDYKE. Left to right: Mrs. R. H. SHELTON (Mary Christine WOODWARD-DOWDY), and daughter, Mrs. W. C. VANDYKE (Marguerite (Peggy) Christine DOWDY).

THE EZELL FAMILY  
IN  
AMERICA

DESCENDANTS  
OF  
GEORGE EZELL  
OF OLD COLONIAL SURRY, VA.  
1692 1961

*address Feb 12 1977 Mrs  
R H Sheldon, Pte #6, Box 138A  
BILOXI-MISS. 39532*

He who careth not from whence he came

careth little whither he goeth.

Daniel Webster

*Sister is*

*Mrs Joseph Alton Williams*

By

Christine W. Sheldon

*Knoxville Tenn.*

*Born: 1-6-15-5814-4610*

*Photo 1-615-5814-4610*

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Christine W. SHELDON

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P R E F A C E

The name EZEL appears in records for the first time in the Old Testament, First Samuel 20:19. In this chapter, Jonathan warned David that Saul was seeking to slay him and he told David to "remain by the stone EZEL". The word EZEL means the marker of the way.

The only authentic Coat of Arms for the EZEL Family found to date is listed in Reitstap's Armorial General, Vol. I, p. 639, published by Van Goor Zonen. The family to whom it belongs is from Silesia and the name is spelled EZEL.

Owing to conflicting reports about the coming of the first EZELLS to America, Mr. & Mrs. O.E. VanCLEASE of Chapel Hill, Tennessee, made a trip into the Carolinas and Virginia to search early records of these states. Mrs. VanCLEASE was before her marriage, Mary Elizabeth EZELL. She is descended from both William EZELL of Union District, South Carolina, and from his brother, Balaam EZELL of Trigg County, Kentucky. William and Balaam were the great grandsons of George EZELL of Colonial Surry, Virginia. While on this trip, Mr. & Mrs. VanCLEASE established the connecting links between George EZELL of Colonial Surry and his great grandsons, William and Balaam EZELL. From their research and the extensive studies by others of historical and biographical volumes, state, county, and local records - including land grants, lists of tithables, old marriage records, court records, tax lists, census schedules, old parish registers, and early histories, it is an indisputable fact that The EZELL Family is one of The First Families of Virginia.

In the Old Records of Virginia, the name is found spelled

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The settlers of Virginia did consider it important for their children to be taught the rudiments of education if possible and some were sent on to college. But the things most highly valued were religious and industrial training. Parents believed it very essential that their children be given instruction in the BIBLE and in religious doctrines. They also believed it quite necessary that each one be thoroughly trained in a trade. It is said that the pioneers who went out from Virginia to the WESTWARD Lands went with a BIBLE in one hand and a rifle in the other. To those of us who are descended from these early Virginia pioneers, the above seems a most accurate description. Since that time every generation has had these deep convictions impressed upon it.

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Virginia became a Royal Colony in 1624 and remained so until 1776 when she announced and declared her independence. The Episcopal Church is the Church of England. It was also the State Church of Virginia. All children, regardless of religious affiliation, were required to be baptized by the ministers of this church. Dates of their baptisms, together with their names, dates of birth, and the names of their parents were recorded in the parish registers. The same information was taken of all marriages and burials. These old parish registers are a wonderful source of information for those seeking vital statistics of those early days.

Mr. BODDIE published Births, Deaths and Sponsors 1717-1778 from the Albemarle Parish Register of Surry and Sussex Counties, Virginia, in 1958, although he has had the abstracts in his possession for almost 25 years. He states that it is the only complete register for that section of Virginia south of the James River extending from Brunswick to Princess Anne. Mr. BODDIE has very graciously granted the author the privilege of using information found in his books. In giving dates of births taken from the above parish register, the book will be called The Albemarle Parish Register by Boddie. 1958

In Virginia, all persons of property and possessions were required to attend and support the State Church whether they were members of that church or not. The tithables in each parish were listed and taxed. Mr. BODDIE states in Colonial Surry that until after the Revolution, taxes in Virginia were imposed chiefly according to the number of tithables in each county. These tithables consisted of all male natives of the county, and all imported persons above 16. He indicates that this information came from William and Mary Quarterly. He also explains that the title JUNIOR as used in Colonial and Revolutionary time does not necessarily signify SON OF or that the younger man was always the son of the older man called Senior. Instead, it conveyed the thought that the one called JUNIOR was younger than the one called SENIOR. He indicates that this information came from Tyler's Quarterly.



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It is learned from Early Virginia Immigrants, 1623-1666, p. 110, by George Carbell GREER, that Ann EZELL came to Jamestown in 1634, only 35 years after Jamestown was first settled. Nothing is recorded to indicate whether she was single, married, or a widow, or if she had any children.

Mr. BODDIE, in Colonial Surry, relates that Surry was first considered a part of Jamestown settlement and was spoken of as the Surry Side of Jamestown. Later, what is now Surry County, became a part of James City County when that county was formed in 1634. When it was a part of James City County, it was also a part of James City Parish. The records of James City County were totally destroyed in the Richmond fire of 1865. Surry is first mentioned as a county in 1652. Originally, it included the present counties of Surry, Sussex, most of Greenville, Brunswick, Mecklenburg, Halifax, Pittsylvania, Henry, Patrick, Franklin, Bedford, Campbell, Charlotte, and Lunenburg.

The parishes most often met with in the Surry records are Lawnes Creek, Southwark, and Albemarle Parish. Lawnes Creek Parish was the first parish created within the present limits of Colonial Surry County. It was the seat of America's first tax strike when some of its parishioners met there on 12 December 1673 to declare they would not pay their public taxes (Colonial Surry, p. 101).

Lawnes Creek Parish was cut off from James City Parish in January 1639/40. It was originally small and included only the territory between Lower Chippokes and Lawnes Creek, from their respective sources down to the James River and the creek that separates Hog Island from the mainland. In November 1674, new settlers on the south side of James River petitioned for a new church and a new parish called Southwark Parish was established. It was named for a parish in London on the south side of Thames River. It extended from College Run Creek to Upper Chippokes Creek (Hening I, p. 347). It was 20 miles wide and 100 miles long. It was a frontier parish, and in 1724 it had 394 families, one church, and two chapels. It also had a school for the Indians on its borders.

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Lawnes Creek Parish grew to be 120 miles long. It and Southward Parish extended into what is now Brunswick County. When Brunswick County was formed in 1720, a new parish called St. Andrew's Parish was cut off from the Surry County parishes. On 1 January 1738/39, another new parish called Albemarle Parish was erected out of that portion of Surry County lying below Blackwater River. By this same Act, that portion of Surry County lying north of Blackwater River was placed in Southwark Parish. This brought to a close the existence of ancient Lawnes Creek Parish. (Colonial Surry, pp. 148-149).

Among the Surry County Records there are found lists of tithables for that county for the years 1668, 1669, 1670, 1674, 1675, and for each year from 1677 to 1703 inclusive. Each census was taken by four prominent men, usually two from Southwark Parish and two from Lawnes Creek Parish. Each census taken, on or near 10 June. Until the 1668 census was taken, no name even resembling EZELL in any of its numerous spellings is found.

1674 Tithables, Surry County, taken 10 June, Southwark Parish 238, Lawnes Creek Parish 182, Book 1671-1684, pp. 95-98. (Colonial Surry by BODDIE, p. 186).  
Lists George ESSELL and Timothy ESSELL.

1678 Tithables, Surry County, Lawnes Creek Parish (white) (Colonial Surry, p. 188)  
Lists George ESSELL, Mich. ESSELL, and Tim. ESSELL.

1683 Tithables, Surry County, Lawnes Creek Parish, taken 9 June, Book 1671-1684, pp. 524-528 (Colonial Surry, p. 192). Lists Tim. ESSELL, Sr., Tim ESSELL, Jr., Mich ESSELL.

1694 Tithables, Surry County, Southwark Parish and Lawnes Creek Parish, taken 10 June, Deed Book 1694-1704, pp. 21-23 (Colonial Surry, p. 195)



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lists George ESSELL, John ESSELL, Mich ESSELL, and Tim ESSELL.

1698 Tithables, Surry County (white) (Colonial Surry, pp. 202-203) lists William EZELL, George ISELL, and Mich ISELL (sic).

1702 Tithables, Surry County, Southwark Parish and Lawnes Creek Parish, taken 10 June, Surry Deed Book 1694-1709, pp. 256-259 (Colonial Surry, p. 206) lists Mich ESSELL and George EZELL (sic.).

William and Mary Quarterly, Vol II, p. 81, listing Surry County Militia in 1687, in listing those reported as qualified in either estate or person to find and maintain a man and horse or to go themselves when the occasion should require, names among those qualified (Colonial Surry, p. 210)

Tim ESSELL, Junr. for horse, Michael ESSELL for foot, and George ESSELL for foot.

William and Mary Quarterly, Vol. 24, p. 108, Recommendations and Qualifications of Military and Civil Officers in Brunswick County, Virginia, March 1777 to October 1782, names William EZELL, Ensign in the Militia qualified to his commission 28 October 1782.

Although the original schedules for the first census taken of Virginia in 1790, along with those of several other states, were destroyed when the British burned Washington during the War of 1812, Augusta B. FOTHERGILL and John Mack NAUGLE compiled and published in 1940, a list of Virginia Tax Payers using the tax assessments of 1782-1787. The list used in their publication are all found in State Archives of Virginia. This list of 1782 Tax Payers in Brunswick County, Virginia contains the following men named EZELL:

Benjamin EZELL, Buckner EZELL, Joseph EZELL, William EZELL, William EZELL, and William EZELL.

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EARLY GENEALOGIES AND TRADITIONS  
OF THE EZELL (UZZELL) FAMILY

From Maxwell History and Genealogy, pp. 335-338, it is learned that one, Thomas UZZELL emigrated to America from France as the commander of a ship under General LaFayette during the Revolutionary War. He is said to have settled in Virginia, near Smithfield, where he founded the old UZZELL (UZZIEL) CHURCH which was still standing in 1916. Thomas gave the land on which the church was built. It was a Methodist Church and when Bishop Asbury visited Virginia in 1800, he was entertained by Thomas UZZELL.

This record also states that the UZZELL Family was originally French Huguenot and that they left France to escape religious persecution. Some of them went to England where they became anglicized. It also tells of an old USSEL (sic) CASTLE in the Valley of Aosta which proclaims one branch of the family as prominent in the 13th century.

One of the UZZELLS who became anglicized, emigrated to America in 1635, and settled in the tidewater sections of Virginia. According to several family traditions, there were several brothers who emigrated to Virginia prior to the Revolution. Their names were Thomas, William, John, and Francis. Certain it is that the family became numerous in Virginia. They were wealthy planters and slave-owners. Some of these removed to Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas, Illinois, Arkansas, Missouri, and other points west.

Two brothers of the UZZELL Family, James and Thomas, removed from Isle of Wight County, Virginia, to North Carolina. From Thomas are descended the UZZELLS of Franklin, John, and Wake Counties, North Carolina. John W. UZZELL migrated to Tennessee and settled near Columbia. His son, John E. UZZELL went still further westward to Pecan Point, Arkansas.

Another tradition prominent in the families descended

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Chapter 1

THE PROGENITOR

The History of this branch of the EZELL Family begins with George EZELL (ESSELL) in Old Colonial Surry, Virginia, at the time he made his will, 24 December 1692. It is not known just when he was born, nor where. From the wording of his will in which he gives an idea of the ages of his children, it may be assumed that he was born not later than 1648. The names of his parents have not been fully established. Mr. John B. BODDIE in his Vol. 5, Historical Southern Families, p. 265, suggests that Timothy EZELL was evidently the first of his name in Surry County. He was a tithable in Surry in 1668 (Col. Sur., p. 183), and was evidently the father of Timothy, Jr., George and Michael EZELL (spelled ESSELL) who are named in the Militia of Surry Co. for the year 1687. Mr. Boddie also suggests that Timothy, the father, was probably too old to serve in 1687, this being 21 years after he first appears in the Census of Surry. In the Census of 1683 (Id. p. 192), appear the names of George, Michael, Timothy, Sr., and Timothy, Jr. In 1694 appear the names of George EZELL, Timothy and Michael (Id. p. 198). There is no designation of Junior or Senior after the name, Timothy, so it appears that Timothy EZELL, the ancestor of the family, was the Timothy of Amarodtors whose wife, Mary, was Administratrix of his estate on 4/7 of March/July 1696. Nathaniel Harrison and Jeremiah Ellis were her sureties (Book 5, p. 126). On 5 May 1696, the Court of Surry County ordered an appraisal of the Estate of Timothy ESSELL. It was made by John Barker, Thomas Blout, and Thomas Cotten, Attending a Court held for the County of Surry 7 July 1696, this day appeared in Court Mary ESSELL and made oath this was a true and perfect Inventory of the Estate of Timothy ESSELL, deceased, ..... Teste: J. Edwards, Dpt. Cl.

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George EZELL, the progenitor, may have been the son of Timothy EZELL (ESSELL) of Amarodtors whose will is the earliest EZELL will that has been located to date. All of this old will is not legible. His signature is illegible and the names of only three of his children can be read which seems to indicate there were probably other children whose names have been obliterated by the passage of time. The will is dated 14 July 1677. In it, he calls himself Timothy EZELL of Amarodtors (sic). He bequeathed to Mary BROAD (probably daughter) a cow, calf, one earthen bason, two earthen jugs. To Timothy ISRIELL a sow. To Michael ISRIELL ... goods ... "In token hereof I have set my hand 14 day of July 1677" .. This old will was reported by Mrs. Alice (EZELL) SAMFORD of Alberta, Va., who says that Mary was the name of Timothy's wife and was the Administratrix of his Estate.

Since the will was made in July 1677 and the appraisal of the Estate was made in March or July 1696 (which was probably the final settlement), Timothy died between 1677 and 1696.

However, the relationship between Timothy EZELL of Amarodtors and George EZELL (ESSELL), the progenitor, has not been fully established, so, this history will have its beginning with

GEORGE EZELL, the Progenitor

1, GEORGE EZELL was born about 1648. His will, dated 24 December 1692, is found in Bk. 4, p. 292-293, Surry County Court House, Surry, Virginia. It was proved 11 April 1693 which establishes the time of his death as having been between Dec. 1692 and April 1693. In his will, he names his wife as Elizabeth whom he named as "my Executrix". George states in his will that he is sick of body but of perfect sence (sic) and memory. He bequeathed "to my eldest son, George, my land..... lying and being in Charles City (sic) County near the head of Upper Chipoakes Creeke..... also one mare..., one yearling horse colt, also one 2 yr. old heyfer all of which to be paid to him when he shall come to one

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Thomas Newson"..... in which it is stated that John EZELL, Jr. is the son of Thomas EZELL, Sr. This deed also states that the wife of John EZELL, Jr. is named Jane. Both John and Jane signed their names. On p 42 of The Albemarle Parish Register there is found a list of the children born to Thomas and Anne EZELL. John is their first child and first son listed and gives the date of his birth.

This same register, p. 43, lists three children as having been born to John EZELL, Jr. and his wife, Jane. Their first child was born in September 1763 which indicates they were married ca 1762. There may have been other children.

From records found in Wake County, North Carolina, it seems logical to assume that Jane died and that John next married Asenath. The North Carolina will of John EZELL names as his children Hartwell and Lucy EZELL, the two children listed as their children in The Albemarle Parish Register, p 43. In addition to Hartwell and Lucy, the following are named also: Fred, John and Polly. The will also names Asenath EZELL as the wife of John EZELL.

The Albemarle Parish Register gives the birthdate of Hartwell EZELL as 28 December 1764. This is the identical date recorded in the Old Bible of Hartwell EZELL which is now in the possession of his descendant, Gibson Greer EZELL of Monticello, Georgia.

According to The Albemarle Parish Register and the will of John EZELL in North Carolina, Wake County, records, John EZELL fathered six children.

ISSUE OF JOHN<sup>3</sup> EZELL, 20

by his first wife, Jane

- i Phoebe<sup>4</sup> EZELL born 15 Sept 1763, Sussex Co., Va.
- 51, ii Hartwell born 28 Dec 1764, Sussex Co., Va.
- 52, iii Lucy born 20 Apr 1767, Sussex Co., Va.

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\* iv Fred

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Among other names found in this BIBLE is that of Henry G. EZELL. Until recently, it was thought that Henry G. was probably the first child born to Hartwell EZELL by a first wife of which there is no record. Of course, it could be that Hartwell was married twice and that Henry G. was his son. The Henry G. listed in the BIBLE was born 15 November 1789, and married Mary DAVIS on 28 November 1816, Jasper County, Georgia. In a letter, dated 19 March 1960, Gibson Greer EZELL wrote he faintly recalls having heard his father speak of a distant cousin named Henry G. EZELL. It is known that Hartwell EZELL had a half-brother named John EZELL. He is now inclined to believe that Henry G. was the son of John and the nephew of Hartwell, and therefore, is the cousin he remembers hearing his father speak of. Mr. G.G. EZELL further wrote that he had just found a list of slave owners in Burke County, Georgia, dated 1 October 1798, and that this list included the name John EZELL. Since Hartwell EZELL first went to Burke County, Georgia, he now believes the slave owner, John EZELL, was Hartwell's half-brother.

Hartwell EZELL migrated from Virginia to South Carolina thence to Georgia, where he first settled in Burke County. Then, in 1793, he moved to Jasper County, Georgia, where he bought land and settled near Monticello. The land records of Jasper County, Jasper County Court House, Monticello, Georgia, verify this information. Hartwell EZELL was one of the earliest settlers and a leading citizen of Jasper County. He was a highly respected and much loved man. He married Sealey LOWREY ca. 1792 or early 1793. She was born 15 March 1767 and died 3 October 1814, Jasper County, Georgia. Hartwell and Sealey (Lowrey) EZELL had a son named Simeon. This seems to indicate that she was the daughter of Simeon Lowrey.

Hartwell EZELL fought for liberty in the Revolutionary War. The Daughters of The American Revolution erected a monument at his grave. He died 17 November 1836 and is buried near Monticello, Jasper County, Georgia. Both he and his wife, Sealey, are buried in the family cemetery located on his farm.



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Rev. Ball quotes some one who knew him well as saying, "In this community the death of no man would call forth more bitter regrets, for he was held high in esteem by all who fell in the genial sphere of his acquaintance."

In 1937 the Community Study Club of Grove Hill erected a monument at the grave of Mr. Figures as a memoriam of his faithful service to his fellow man. This cemetery is located down from, and in front of the Calhoun home in Grove Hill. (See picture on another page.)

In a conversation with Mr. Dave Matthews, ninety years old, of Grove Hill, he told me that the Sunday School he attended in his younger years, offered a prize for the best essay on a well known person of Grove Hill. Mr. Matthews wrote his essay about James T. Figures and won the prize, which was the Sunday School collection for that particular Sunday. It amounted to \$25.00. He put the money in a savings account in the Grove Hill Bank for the Clarke County Historical Society. The bank busted during the depression and his prize money was gone.

Elizabeth Figures died February 14, 1860. Rev. Ball says "... in the seventy fourth year of her age. She was an affectionate mother and a pious woman ... Her husband Major Figures, then quite infirm, did not long survive his faithful 'wife of youth,' with whom he had traveled life's pathways for some three and fifty years." He died in 1863 in Coffeetown, Alabama.

In visiting the Coffeetown, Clarke County, Alabama cemetery we found the graves of Elizabeth W. Figures, wife of Major Thomas Figures, born September 2, 1785 and died February 14, 1860. We found the grave of their son, Charles C. Figures, born January 3, 1816 and died April 6, 1855. Also the grave of Margaret T. Figures, wife of John Figures, Thomas' son, who was born August 1, 1812 and died August 18, 1860.

There is a space between the graves of Margaret T., wife of John, and Elizabeth W., wife of Thomas, for two graves but no markers are there. There was a large rock at the head and one at the foot of one space by Margaret T. I would assume that her husband, John, was buried there, and that Major Thomas was buried in the other space by his wife, Elizabeth W.

#### Coleman

Elizabeth Walker Coleman Figures, the mother of Martha Matilda, was the daughter of Mary Polly Walker and John Coleman. Mary was born June 30, 1767, and John was born March 6, 1765 in Virginia. They were married in 1784 and John Coleman died November 17, 1836 in Maury County, Tennessee.

During the Revolutionary War, John Coleman was a member of the Supreme Executive Council of Sons of Liberty. (Georgia roster of Rev. Soldiers" by Knight, p. 411) From the "World Book Encyclopedia," Vol.

16, p. 485, we find that the Sons of Liberty was a group of patriotic societies which sprang up in American colonies before the Revolutionary War. The Sons of Liberty groups began as secret societies, but later came into the open. They fought against the Stamp Act of 1765, they opposed the importation of British goods after the passage of the Townshend Acts, and then began to demand national independence. They helped other early moves toward American independence, including the calling of the Continental Congress.

John Coleman received a pension in Maury County, Tennessee ("Georgia Pensioners Living In Other States" p. 449) On page 74 of the "Surveyors General Book A of Washington County, Georgia, is listed a Land Grant of 287½ acres on Big Creek to John Coleman, on January 7, 1784. On page 255 on November 14, 1784 is an entry for another 287½ acres. There are also three entries pp. 264-283-348 where John Coleman was in the land lottery of 1827 in Jefferson County, Georgia.

#### Walker

The father of Elizabeth Walker Coleman, and grand-father of Martha M. Figures Ezell, was Jeremiah Walker of Elbert County, Georgia. His will was executed on October 17, 1792 ("Ordinary's Records" 179 H 803, also in "DAR Historical Collections," Vol. 8, p. 5.) In his will he mentions his wife, Milly, and five sons and two daughters, Elizabeth and Mary Polly.

"I lend to my daughter, Polly Coleman, during her natural life the first female child that Esther, Sally or Prudence shall have, if they have any to live to be two years old, then to be equally divided between her three daughters, Elizabeth, Narcyssa and Melinda. I also give to my daughter, Polly Coleman, my black walnut table, part of my cocory and part of my books."

This is the part of Jeremiah's will pertaining to Polly Coleman, wife of John Coleman, and grandmother of Martha Matilda Figures Ezell.

This information came from the papers of Denise Harwell, great-great granddaughter of Martha Ezell, for membership in the Granddaughters of the American Revolution.

#### Smith

Captain David H. Smith, father of Rosa Anna Smith, wife of Charles Thomas Ezell, was born March 6, 1821 in South Carolina. His first wife was Jane Ware, born February 7, 1848. We know she was the mother of four of his children. Henry, John, William and Rosa Anna, who were all born in South Carolina, where Jane died before the move to Alabama.

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Our EZELL Heritage

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from

TIMOTHY EZELL

of

Old Colonial Surry, Virginia

1634 - 1994

He who careth not from whence he came, careth little whither he goeth.

Daniel Webster

The following text was compiled by James Kenneth Clegg with a lot of help from his mother, Bobbie Helen Ezell Clegg and much reading of pertinent information from various material pertaining to the Ezell Heritage.

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Ann Ezell was the first recorded Ezell in America. Records indicate that she was in Jamestown in 1634. This information comes from "Early Virginia Immigrants, 1623-1666" page 110, by George Carbell Greer. There is no information recorded indicating if she was married, single, mother, or widow. Nor if she had any children. However, it is strange to think that a woman of that time period would be without family in such a harsh place such as early Jamestown.

Timothy Ezell was born in England probably about 1625. His name appears on record January 4, 1652 from "Surry Records, 1652-1684" page 6, by Elizabeth Davis, as receiving land from one "John Jennings". In the 1668 list of tithables, Timothy is the only male named Ezell listed. Also listed is his wife Mary. In the census of Surry County, Virginia in 1683, there lists Timothy Sr., Timothy Jr., Michael, and George Ezell. In 1687, Michael and George Ezell and a Timothy Ezell are listed as being part of the Surry Co. horse militia. This had to be Timothy Jr. due to the fact that Timothy Sr. was listed as being exempt from tax levies on June 7, 1682 because of "being very poor and aged". Timothy Sr. died prior to 1696 due to the fact that his wife appeared in court to testify as to his estate and inventory, which the court accepted as being accurate, dated March 4, 1696.

Timothy and Mary had three sons during their marriage.

1. George - b. 1648 - d. between Nov. 1692 and April 1693.
2. Timothy Jr. - b. 1657-1660 d. 1700?
3. Michael - b. 1670? d. 1718.

George Ezell (Sr.) married Elizabeth Clarke about 1672-1673. They had six children.

1. George Jr. - b. ca.1674
2. M. Rebecca - b. ca.1678
3. Mary - b. ca.1681
4. Lucy - b. ca.1684
5. Sarah - b. ca.1687
6. Timothy - b. ca.1689 d. Aug. 15, 1760.

All of the above children were born in Surry Co. Virginia.

Timothy (son of George Sr.) married Mary ac.1715. They are listed in the Sussex Co. Virginia tithables. By this time Sussex Co. had been broken away from Surry Co. to form a new Co.

Timothy and Mary had seven children born to them.

1. Thomas - b. ca.1715. He married Anne Rose in 1740. She died April 8, 1782:
2. Timothy - b. ca.1717. He also married a woman named Anne.
3. John - b. ca.1721
4. Lydia - b. ca.1724
5. Elizabeth - b. ca.1728. She married a John Gilbert
6. Mary - b. ca.1732. She married William Rose. Possibly he was a younger brother of Anne Rose who married Thomas.
7. George - b. ca.1738. He married Amey who was b. ca. 1744.

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Thomas Ezell (Sr.) and Anne Rose ( she was b. ca.1719) lived in Albemarle Parrish of Sussex Co. Virginia. They had six children.

1. John Jr. - b. Feb. 10, 1742. He married Jane ca.1762.
2. Thomas - b. Jan. 21, 1744. Married woman named Phoebe.
3. Anne - b. Jan. 29, 1746. Married a William who was b. Feb. 21, 1749.
4. Frederick - b. April 28, 1752.
5. Balaam - b. Oct. 7, 1756.
6. Abel - b. Sept. 20, 1758. Married a Sarah Whitehorn.

John Ezell (Jr.) and Jane had three children.

1. Phoebe - b. Oct. 15, 1763
2. Hartwell - b. Dec. 28, 1764.
3. Lucy - b. April 20, 1767.

All of the above children were recorded as being born in Sussex Co. Virginia as per Albermarle Parrish records.

John Ezell (Jr.) was still in Sussex Co. Virginia in 1777. He served in the American Revolution in "E" Company of Capt. George Wells Command of Foot, 4th Virginia Regiment. This command was under Col. Robert Lawson. This is documented by record of the "Commonwealth of Virginia" state archives division.

Jane died sometime after 1767 and John Ezell (Jr.) married a woman named Asenath. They moved to Wake Co. North Carolina. John and Asenath had three more children.

4. Fred - b. ?
5. John - b. 1801 in Georgia. Married Nancy in 1838. b. 1820.
6. Polly - b. ?

Part of the above information was obtained from the Wake Co., North Carolina records of wills and deeds.

John Ezell (son of John Ezell (Jr.) and Nancy had seven children.

1. Johnathon - b. 1839, Fla. d. Dec. 12, 1902.
2. Timothy - b. 1843 Fla.
3. William Alexander - b. 1852, Fla.
4. John H. - b. 1855, Fla.
5. Nepsey A. - b. 1856
6. Benjamin - b. 1859
7. Effie - b. 1864

Johnathon Ezell enlisted in Co. "A", 24th Mississippi Regiment Infantry on Aug.22, 1861. It is stated on his records that he enlisted at State Line, Greene Co. Mississippi. He was captured at the battle of Lookout Mountain at Chattanooga, Tennessee on Nov. 24, 1863. He was sent to prison in Rock Island, Illinois for the duration of the war and was paroled Feb.25, 1865.

Johnathon Ezell married Martha Ellen Pope in 1866. Martha Ellen had previously been married to a Jacob Hutto and had bore a daughter named Frances. Jacob was killed in the Civil War. Martha was born in 1845 in Alabama. She died Aug. 14, 1924. She is buried in Pascagoula, Mississippi. Johnathon is believed to be buried in Morriston Cemetery near Hattisburg, Mississippi. Johnathon and Martha had eight children in addition to Frances.

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1. Frances - b. 1861
2. Sarah Ellen - b. Jan. 1, 1867
3. Jonathon - b. Sept. 14, 1869
4. Thomas Jefferson - b. May 26, 1872
5. William Fred - b. Aug. 10, 1874
6. Archie Webster - b. Aug. 13, 1877
7. Mary Estelle - b. April 8, 1881
8. Timothy - b. Jan. 1, 1884
9. Mills - b. Sept. 13, 1890. d. Jan. 24, 1978. Mills is buried in Pascagoula, Mississippi.

All of the above children are believed to have been born in either Greene Co., or Wayne Co. Mississippi.

Mills Ezell married Mamie Helen Devreaux. She was born April 19, 1902 in Poplarville, Mississippi. She died Feb. 24, 1938 and is buried in Pascagoula, Mississippi. Mills and Mamie had seven children. All were born in Jackson Co., Mississippi.

1. Marie Deloros - b. Nov. 25, 1919
2. Lola Audrey - b. Dec. 10, 1921
3. Hugh Levelton - b. Dec. 6, 1923
4. Ellen Fay - b. June 4, 1926
5. Bobbie Helen - b. Jan. 6, 1928
6. Milton Edward - b. May 19, 1930
7. John Lecil - b. Sept. 9, 1931

Bobbie Helen Ezell married Joseph Leon Clegg on March 19, 1949. Joseph Leon Clegg was born Jan. 8, 1915 in Pickens Co. Alabama. He died July 9, 1979 and is buried in Pascagoula, Mississippi. Bobbie Helen Ezell Clegg and Joseph had five children.

1. James Kenneth - b. July 1, 1946 in New Orleans, Louisiana
2. Steven Leon - b. Jan. 17, 1953 in Waukegan, Illinois
3. Lois Elaine - b. Nov. 19, 1954 in Waukegan, Illinois
4. Brenda Gail - b. Aug. 13, 1957 in Waukegan, Illinois
5. Douglas Eugene - b. June 17, 1960 in Waukegan, Illinois

James Kenneth married Beverly Ann Kilbert in 1972. She was born in Chicago, Illinois. They had one son.

1. Michael Kenneth - b. Sept. 9, 1974 in Highland Park, Illinois.

James Kenneth and Beverly Ann were divorced in 1976.

James Kenneth married Mary Elizabeth Seligman Dec. 27, 1980. She was born May 12, 1955 in Burlington, Iowa. They had two children.

1. Sarah Marie - b. Nov. 30, 1983 in Mountain View, California.
2. Heather Elizabeth - b. May 10, 1989 in Mountain View, California.

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1. Son - James Kenneth Clegg (Born July 1, 1946)
2. Mother - Bobbie Helen Ezell Clegg (Born Jan. 6, 1928)
3. Grandfather - Mills Ezell (Born Sept. 13, 1890)
4. Great-Grandfather - Johnathon Ezell (Born 1839)
5. Great-Great Grandfather - John Ezell (Born 1801)
6. Great-Great-Great Grandfather - John Ezell (Born 1742)
7. Great-Great-Great-Great Grandfather - Thomas Ezell (Born 1715)
8. Great-Great-Great-Great-Great Grandfather - Timothy Ezell (Born 1689)
10. Great-Great-Great-Great-Great-Great Grandfather - George Ezell (Born 1648)
11. Great-Great-Great-Great-Great-Great-Great Grandfather Timothy Ezell (Born ca. 1625) in England.

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Name	Birth date	Death date
<Unnamed>		
Andrews, Fannie	August 12, 1878	June 20, 1924
Andrews, John W.		
Annie		
Arnett, Emma		
Arnett, Fanny		
Arnett, Howard		
Arnett, John		
Arnett, Joseph L.	January 07, 1872	September 27, 1956
Arnett, Joseph Stein	August 25, 1912	
Arnett, Merttie		
Arnett, Pearl	September 20, 1906	
Arnett, Sallie		
Arnett, William Mark	January 05, 1875	May 31, 1956
Ashburn, Martha Ann		
Aucoin, Jeanne	1627	April 18, 1718
Bastarache, Anne	1731	1766
Bastarache, Isabelle	1735	
Bastarache, Jean III	1696	
Bastarache, Jean, "de Bearn"	1632	
Bastarache, Jean, "dit La Basque"	1658	September 06, 1733
Baudoin, Nicholas		
Baudouin, Cesaire	1786	
Baudouin, Francoise	1800	September 27, 1828
Baudouin, Pierre	June 07, 1758	
Baudreau, Jean Baptiste, "de Graveline"		
Baudreau, Louisa		
Bernon, Anne		
Blanchard, Guillaume	1650	1716
Blanchard, Guillaume		
Blanchard, Jean	1611	1716
Blanchard, Madeleine	1642	
Bolton		
Bordat, Marie Marthe	1766	September 07, 1831
Bosarge, Armenia	June 25, 1852	March 01, 1918
Bosarge, Calvin		
Bosarge, Edward		
Bosarge, Emily		
Bosarge, Eugene		
Bosarge, Eugenia		
Bosarge, Jean Baptiste, "Bouzage"		
Bosarge, John Baptiste, Jr.		
Bosarge, John Baptiste, Sr.	1823	
Bosarge, Joseph B.	1740	1791
Bosarge, Lemas, "Bouzage"		
Bosarge, Mary C.		
Bourg, Marguerite		
Bourgeois, Marguerite	1648	
Bradstreet, Edmond (Edward)		1718
Bradstreet, Jean Baptiste	December 21, 1714	
Breaux, Marguerite		

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Broadus, Stella	November 22, 1887	July 09, 1972
Brossard, Jean-Francois		
Bugaret, Bernard, "det St. Martin"		
Bugaret, Catherine	1649	
Buhring, Maggie		
Caissey, Marguerite	February 06, 1717	
Caissey, Michel Roger	1651	
Caissey, Pierre, "dit Roger"	1678	February 25, 1741
Campbell, James Hugh		
Carcau, Mary Louise		
Carquot, Marie		
Carter, Addy		
Chabrat, Jeanne		
Chabrat, Jeanne		
Champion, Phillis		
Child		
Child		
Child		
Clark, Edward		
Clark, Sarah	1842	1916
Clarke, Julia		
Clements, Eliza		
Cochran, Mary	1792	December 05, 1860
Cormier, Anastasie	1768	September 26, 1820
Corvin, Flora Agnes Mae		
Corvin, J. Crockett		
Crenshaw, Alcezery Marian	May 23, 1873	
Crenshaw, Angus Malcolm	February 22, 1852	September 06, 1934
Crenshaw, Armena	May 15, 1912	
Crenshaw, D. Annette	May 30, 1873	
Crenshaw, Delilah	August 1892	
Crenshaw, Dolly Virginia "Jerry"	November 26, 1889	
Crenshaw, Dora	1903	
Crenshaw, E. Blanche	February 17, 1879	
Crenshaw, Earl	1887	
Crenshaw, Edna	1892	
Crenshaw, Ellis Dees	April 12, 1885	May 27, 1983
Crenshaw, Emma	1908	
Crenshaw, George	1868	
Crenshaw, George Washington	September 14, 1828	October 17, 1902
Crenshaw, Gregory Luce	November 05, 1899	
Crenshaw, Gus	1893	
Crenshaw, J. Guy	November 21, 1876	
Crenshaw, James Augustus	September 20, 1853	September 01, 1933
Crenshaw, James Jefferson	October 27, 1826	1861
Crenshaw, James Joseph	1800	January 29, 1870
Crenshaw, Jeffie	1895	
Crenshaw, John Francisco	March 26, 1856	October 27, 1940
Crenshaw, John Lawrence	October 12, 1897	
Crenshaw, Julia Melinda	May 18, 1904	July 26, 1986
Crenshaw, Leander May	May 09, 1915	
Crenshaw, Lily May	1875	
Crenshaw, Lydia Lovelia	December 18, 1887	



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Crenshaw, M. Gertrude	June 29, 1869	
Crenshaw, Marion Dees	March 22, 1860	May 31, 1945
Crenshaw, Martin Van Buren	July 09, 1839	
Crenshaw, Mary	May 1883	
Crenshaw, Narcussas Mariah	September 11, 1870	
Crenshaw, Percillar Elizabeth	November 07, 1865	
Crenshaw, Percita	February 10, 1871	
Crenshaw, Rachel Lucinda	May 19, 1877	
Crenshaw, Sarah Frances	December 02, 1851	August 17, 1892
Crenshaw, Sylvester Clark	February 03, 1850	February 26, 1926
Crenshaw, Thomas Levi	January 10, 1862	
Crenshaw, Walter Denny	1877	
Crenshaw, William Jefferson	June 02, 1858	1936
Cromier, Jean Baptiste		
Crooker, Amy		
Crooker, Arthur Breathart, Jr.		
Crooker, Arthur Breathart, Sr.	June 30, 1877	January 01, 1925
Crooker, Edwin R.		
Crooker, Evelyn Lois	December 12, 1931	
Crooker, George Augusta	1850	
Crooker, George Augusta	April 15, 1908	December 15, 1966
Crooker, George Augusta, Jr.	July 16, 1930	
Crooker, Janette	July 18, 1944	
Crooker, Julia A.	October 16, 1961	
Crooker, Marguerite		
Crooker, Mary Margaret	March 25, 1934	
Daugherty, Alsie Zeria	1835	
Daugherty, Charity Percillar	1831	September 17, 1856
d'Aulnay, Charles de Menou	1604	1650
d'Aulnay, Jeanne Motin	1615	1666
Davidson, Vianna	1824	
de Jousserand, Nicole		
de la Tour, //		
de la Tour, Anne Saint Etienne		
de la Tour, Charles Saint Etienne	1593	1666
de la Tour, Charles Saint Etienne	1663	1731
de la Tour, Charles Saint Etienne	1701	
de la Tour, Claude de Saint Etienne	1570	1636
de la Tour, Jacques de Saint Etienne		
de la Tour, Jeanne Saint Etienne		
de la Tour, Marguerite Saint Etienne		
de la Tour, Marie de Saint Etienne	1652	May 30, 1739
de la Tour, Marie-Agathe de Saint Etienne	1690	1739
de Martgnon, Martine d'Aprandestiguy		
de Menou, Rene		
de Plemazais, Abraham Mius		
de Pobomcoup, Jacques Mius		
Dees, Archibald	January 1844	1886
Dees, Benjamin	1745	1816
Dees, Calvin Elias	October 31, 1819	May 22, 1867
Dees, Demsey	1770	
Dees, Frances	1850	
Dees, Garland Marion	March 24, 1855	April 17, 1891

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Dees, Jane Tippins	November 04, 1840	May 03, 1914
Dees, John		
Dees, John P.	February 04, 1839	November 15, 1869
Dees, Lemuel	1848	
Dees, Mark	1790	November 19, 1856
Dees, Mark Ashley	August 26, 1846	
Dees, Nancy	1845	
Denny, A. P.		
Denny, A. S.		
Denny, Alexander		
Denny, David, Jr.		
Denny, David, Sr.		
Denny, Emma		
Denny, Frederick	1680	February 02, 1728
Denny, Horace K.		
Denny, Irene		
Denny, John	1725	October 15, 1782
Denny, Mamie		
Denny, Margaret		
Denny, Margaret	March 14, 1745	February 21, 1836
Denny, Margery		
Denny, Margery B.		
Denny, Melinda	1804	1870
Denny, Robert		
Denny, Samuel		
Denny, Walter	1701	1752
Denny, Walter	1774	1848
Denny, Walter McKennon	October 28, 1853	
Denny, Walter McKennon, Jr.	April 01, 1876	
Denny, Walter, Jr.	April 24, 1816	March 29, 1982
Denny, William		
Dickens, Betty Agnes Turner	August 07, 1943	
Dickens, Cyrus Patrick		
Dickens, Donald Roger Turner	November 16, 1944	
Dickens, Dustin Hans	March 07, 1974	
Dickens, Jessie Margaret		
Dickens, John Paul		May 06, 1992
Dickens, Judith Ann Turner	October 24, 1945	
Dickens, Richard Lyle Turner	June 14, 1942	
Dickens, Wendy Renne	April 03, 1970	
du Breuil, Nicolas le Creux		1652
Du Coudray, Emmanuel le Borgne		
Ducie, John		
Duckwood, Elizabeth Accabe		
Duff, Demaris Mary	1812	
Duffey, John V.		
Dugas, Nathalie Athenais	October 28, 1823	July 27, 1885
Dugas, Pierre		
Dugas, Pierre	March 06, 1777	
DuPree, Frances L.	1800	October 12, 1864
Dyer, Frances M.		
Eatmon, Charles		
Eatmon, Diana	1974	April 24, 1996

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Name	Birth date	Death date
Eatmon, John		
Eatmon, Stuart		
Edelmeir, Marguerite LeMaire	1758	September 27, 1828
Edlemeir, Andre "Lemaire"		
Elizabeth	1823	
Elizabeth A.		August 03, 1853
Eubanks, Charles	August 1802	February 14, 1884
Eubanks, John Francis Marion	July 12, 1838	May 30, 1892
Evans, David	September 04, 1970	
Evans, Donald		
Evans, Rosa	October 27, 1965	
Evans, Teresa	August 19, 1967	
Ezell, Curtis Eugene	June 27, 1953	
Ezell, Jimmy Stewart	October 01, 1961	
Ezell, William Eugene (Bill)		
Faggert, Lucinda		
Fannie A.	1877	November 23, 1902
Fannin, Martha		
Felps, Alice		
Felps, Dewey		
Felps, Harry		
Felps, Mae		
Felps, Monroe		
Felps, Willie		
Fisher, Dale Edward, Sr.		
Fisher, Donna Marie	January 03, 1947	
Fitzpatrick, Jane Cannon		
Forney, Mary Emma		
Fort, Abbott Kemp	1875	1958
Fort, Alice		
Fort, Arthur	1719	1773
Fort, Benjamin K.	1829	July 11, 1909
Fort, Betsy		
Fort, Cora Lee		
Fort, Drewery Alamanza	March 11, 1834	August 17, 1917
Fort, Drury	1735	1788
Fort, Drury II	March 1755	1818
Fort, Drury III	1796	
Fort, Elias		
Fort, Elias	1630	1677
Fort, Elias III		
Fort, Elias, Jr.	1663	
Fort, Eliza	1859	
Fort, Elizabeth "Betsy"	1820	
Fort, Emmett Fletcher		
Fort, Erle Dees	1866	1876
Fort, Faith		
Fort, George	1668	1716
Fort, Holliday		
Fort, Holly Middleton	May 12, 1836	July 27, 1907
Fort, James	1861	
Fort, Jane Williams	December 06, 1790	July 02, 1838
Fort, John		



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Fort, John Wolfe		
Fort, John, Jr.	1685	1745
Fort, John, Sr.	1663	1724
Fort, Lee Linson	1865	1930
Fort, Lester	1790	
Fort, Mannie Alamanza	1872	1952
Fort, Mary		
Fort, Mary A. J.	1858	
Fort, Mary J.		
Fort, Mary J.	1847	
Fort, Medora	1870	
Fort, Moses	1725	
Fort, Nathaniel	1848	
Fort, Phillis		
Fort, Sarah Louise		
Fort, Travis		
Fort, Will R.		
Fort, William		
Fort, William		
Fort, William	1767	
Fort, William Lester		
Forte, Alma Louise		
Forte, George Nathan		
Forte, James Maurice		
Forte, James Travis		
Forte, John Dennis	July 17, 1870	March 10, 1966
Forte, John Dennis, Jr.		
Forte, Martha Jane		
Forte, Mary Maude		
Forte, Mildred Virginia		
Forte, Thomas Jefferson		
Forte, William Benjamin		
Gaudet, Anne	1645	
Gaudet, Denis		
Gauthier, Martine		
Gautrot, Francois	1613	1693
Gautrot, Marquerite	1655	1727
George		
Girouard, Alexandre	1670	
Girouard, Francois	1621	1711
Girouard, Jacques	1648	October 27, 1703
Girouard, Marie	1696	
Givhan, John		
Glass, Amanda		September 04, 1866
Glover, William		
Goleman, Mary		
Gollotte, William		
Gougeon, Antoine		
Gougeon, Huguette		
Gouillon, Jeanne Francois		
Griffin, Irene		
Hall, Carrie A., ??	February 29, 1856	May 15, 1922
Hall, Edward D.	1855	

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Hall, Ella Lee	December 1874	
Harrison, Clifton Lee	February 08, 1976	
Harrison, Judy Marie	September 29, 1980	
Harrison, Tommy Lee	March 1952	
Hartsille, Ida Jewel	February 01, 1936	
Harvell, Rachel Francis "Puss"	1856	
Harwell, Mrs.		
Havard, //		
Havard, Alley Elizabeth	1808	
Havard, Alley Elizabeth	March 01, 1808	September 11, 1886
Havard, George Henry	May 1856	December 21, 1922
Havard, Sarah "Sally"	1825	
Havard, Stephen	August 15, 1818	December 27, 1877
Hayes, Adeline C.	August 23, 1851	1912
Hayes, Lillian		
Hill, Annie Starkley		
Hill, Thomas		
Holan, Andrew		
Holliday, Sarah	1663	
Hornbuckle, Ambrose		
Hornbuckle, Harris		
Hornbuckle, Harris Franklin	1812	
Hornbuckle, John M.		
Hornbuckle, Robert		
Hornbuckle, Sarah Lee	August 06, 1856	March 03, 1936
Innebit, Myrtle F.		
Jacquelin, Francoise-Marie		1645
Jane		
Johnson, Alice		
Johnson, Earl		
Johnson, Marguerite		
Johnson, Mary		
Jones, Alma		
Jordan, Elizabeth	1665	1724
Jordan, Linda		
Jordan, Mary Jane		
Jordan, Nancy Katherine		
Jordan, Richard		
Kemp, Elizabeth "Betsy"	1790	1850
Kirby, Annie Mattie	1899	
Kirby, Carol Lee	February 23, 1958	
Kirby, Clifton Leonard	June 28, 1967	
Kirby, Clifton Lyle	April 16, 1929	
Kirby, Dehilia "Bellie"		
Kirby, Edison	1892	
Kirby, Elizabeth Julia	July 14, 1953	
Kirby, Gary Lynn	August 24, 1954	
Kirby, James R.	1879	
Kirby, John Luther		
Kirby, John Merle	March 24, 1957	
Kirby, Juanita Ann	September 14, 1926	
Kirby, Lewis Daniel	1872	
Kirby, Margaret Lynn	October 21, 1974	

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Kirby, Margie Ann	June 09, 1952	
Kirby, Mary F.	1877	
Kirby, Mattie		
Kirby, Middleton R.	1811	September 27, 1861
Kirby, Minor Lyle	September 10, 1898	December 16, 1983
Kirby, Ola		
Kirby, Pearl Mae	February 05, 1924	
Kirby, William Andrew Lee, Jr.	January 26, 1874	December 03, 1944
Kirby, William Andrew Lee, Sr.	January 01, 1844	October 22, 1932
Kirby, Willie Andrew		
Ladnier, Clara	June 03, 1826	
Ladnier, Cora		
Ladnier, Jean		
Lake, Aline C.	1868	
Lake, Charles	1867	
Lake, David D.	1876	
Lake, Elizabeth	1848	
Lake, Elmira Janie	December 06, 1879	June 20, 1911
Lake, George W.	1859	
Lake, James	1846	
Lake, John W.	1872	
Lake, Joseph	1852	
Lake, Mary C.	1874	
Lake, Thomas	1869	
Lake, Thomas S.	1870	
Lake, Thomas, Jr.	1855	
Lake, Thomas, Sr.	November 05, 1812	March 03, 1888
Lake, William	1832	
Lambert, Radegonde	1621	
Lavergne, Francoise	1704	
Lavergne, Pierre		
Lawrence, Betty Jean	October 26, 1930	
Lawrence, John Stewart		
Le Borgne, Alexandre, de Belle Islet	1640	1693
Le Borgne, Emmanuel	1610	August 05, 1675
Le Borgne, Marie Francoise	1677	
LeJeune, D' Edmee	1625	
Lindsay, Ruth Medora	November 28, 1881	March 26, 1968
Lindsay, William B.		
Lombard, Joseph Samuel	September 02, 1858	April 02, 1942
Loreau, Angelique		
Lovejoy, Lucinda A.		
Loveland, Richard Merle		
Malinda Jane		
Margaret		
Martin, Georgia		
Martin, Marie Angelique		
Mary		
Mary Jane		
McArthur, Carlene	September 08, 1958	
McArthur, Daniel Howard	February 01, 1962	
McArthur, Dewey Carl	May 22, 1919	February 11, 1979
McArthur, Dewey Carl, Jr.	September 05, 1960	



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McArthur, Doris Elizabeth	July 20, 1954	
McArthur, Forest J.		
McArthur, Frances Diane	November 20, 1955	
McArthur, Lois Ann	December 21, 1965	
McArthur, Shelia Faye	February 18, 1957	
McDonald, Grady		
McDonald, Willie Marion	April 01, 1944	
McKennon, Nancy	March 23, 1817	November 23, 1858
Melanson, Anne		
Merlasse, Jeanne		
Millhombres, Clarissa		
Minnie Lee	September 01, 1889	April 14, 1967
Mirande, Emmanuel Tavaré, Jr.	1648	November 30, 1679
Mirande, Emmanuel Tavaré, Sr.	1622	
Mirande, Marie Theresa Tavaré	November 28, 1683	
Mittie A.		
Moore, Martha		
Moran, Mary Josie		
Moseley, Comer Vasco	February 09, 1930	
Moseley, George		
Moseley, Phillip Ray	April 03, 1972	
Moseley, Roger Alan	July 18, 1970	
Moseley, Samantha Nicole	July 27, 1992	
Moseley, Tina Marie	December 30, 1989	
Motin, Anne		
Motin, Louis, de Courcelles		
Mouton, Antoine		
Mouton, Charles		
Mouton, Guillaume Onezieme	March 28, 1823	September 03, 1873
Mouton, Jacques	1717	1750
Mouton, Jean Augustin	December 09, 1796	November 08, 1880
Mouton, Jean Baptiste	April 24, 1784	May 20, 1837
Mouton, Jean Baptiste "Chapeau"	1755	November 22, 1834
Mouton, Jean Diogene, "dit Neveu"	February 01, 1740	August 17, 1802
Mouton, Jean Frederic	1768	March 26, 1815
Mouton, Jean, Doctor	1685	1740
Mouton, Louis		
Mouton, Marie Marthe	December 1794	March 06, 1825
Mouton, Marie Marthe	March 01, 1852	May 13, 1930
Mouton, Salvador		
Mouton, Salvador	1733	April 09, 1773
Neel, Isabell Napsy "Dolly"	September 19, 1868	September 27, 1944
Pace, Winefred		
Penelope		
Petitpas, Claude	1663	1732
Petitpas, Claude "Sieur de la Fleur"	1624	1693
Petitpas, Isaac		
Petitpas, Isabelle Elizabeth	1670	
Pippins, Asa	1760	
Pippins, Jane	May 10, 1801	September 20, 1870
Plock, Edward		
Poirier, Huguette		
Poirier, Huguette		

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Poirier, Jean "Jehan"		
Poirier, Marie Francoise	1649	
Powell, Fannie Lee		
Presnall, Jesse L.	April 27, 1956	
Quick, Sarah		
Quinney, Pearl	1873	1946
Rabby, Desiree	October 12, 1872	December 22, 1965
Rambo, Daniel		
Ramsay, Jane Huey	1853	1929
Randall, Huldah		
Reese, Sarah L.		
Richard, Alexandre	1668	
Richard, Catherine	1654	1716
Richard, Guillaume, "de Saintonge"		
Richard, Jeanne Angelique	1698	
Richard, Michel "SanSoucy"	1630	1687
Rickard, Jacob		
Rickard, Mary		
Roberts, Alice		
Rone, Grace	December 06, 1932	
Ross, Letitia		
Schexnayder, Marguerite		
Schonper, George		
Sellers, James Freeman		
Shirley, John C.	November 10, 1965	
Shirley, Luther C.	July 02, 1961	
Simonson, Harvey		
Simonson, Robert		
Simonson, Sewell		
Simonson, Turner		
Simonson, W. R. "Willie"		
Sims, Edward D.		
Smith, Aubrey		
Smith, Josephine		
Smith, Mary Fettiplace		
Smith, Melancton		
Smith, William H.		
Smoot, Amanda	1838	
Smoot, Ausburn "Aussie"		
Smoot, Ausburn Lee	1840	September 1875
Smoot, Bettie Lee	January 10, 1905	
Smoot, Gracie Ann	1890	1980
Smoot, James	1836	
Smoot, Jessie S.	1834	
Smoot, Joseph		
Smoot, Murphy		
Smoot, Myrtle Irene		
Smoot, Shelby Wyatt	December 06, 1897	
Smoot, Simon		
Smoot, Susannah	1844	
Smoot, Wyatt Pendleton	1791	
Smoot, Wyatt Pendleton	February 1866	
Snow, David Alan		

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Spire, Catherine, (or Bri)		
Stout, Tracy	1750	1810
Sullivan, David Oliver	October 1862	
Sullivan, William	1828	November 02, 1868
Summerlin, Benjamin K.	October 24, 1850	
Summerlin, David Mason	1830	
Summerlin, David Mason, Jr.	December 14, 1867	October 12, 1950
Summerlin, Elizabeth	1858	
Summerlin, Eugenia		
Summerlin, Martha J.	October 22, 1855	May 15, 1928
Summerlin, Mary	1853	
Summerlin, Nancy Jane	December 07, 1865	March 22, 1957
Summerlin, Ruben	1860	
Summerlin, Virginia	1867	1952
Summerlin, William Green	1849	1940
Susan	1792	
Taylor, Shannon Rene		
Thibaudeau, Anne		
Tillman, Mary Pauline	1820	July 21, 1894
Tippins, Mary Charlotte	November 08, 1821	March 05, 1899
Trehern, Vester Elva	September 08, 1905	September 09, 1976
Tribe), Indian (Micmac		
Tribe, Marie-Therese of the Micmac	1668	
Turner, Ann		
Turner, Charles	1740	
Turner, Charles	October 08, 1790	July 15, 1872
Turner, Charles, Jr.	April 13, 1819	
Turner, Cherrie Ann	1843	
Turner, Cloey	February 1795	
Turner, David	June 29, 1817	
Turner, Enoch		
Turner, Enoch	October 29, 1788	
Turner, Frances E.	1842	April 1872
Turner, Henry	December 04, 1813	
Turner, James		
Turner, James	November 19, 1810	
Turner, John		
Turner, John "Jack"	February 05, 1805	
Turner, John Blount		1796
Turner, John Blount, Jr.	1826	November 17, 1846
Turner, Margaret	November 29, 1825	
Turner, Martha	April 20, 1821	
Turner, Mary		
Turner, Mary	October 14, 1792	
Turner, Mary B.	June 20, 1828	
Turner, Melinda	May 19, 1831	January 21, 1905
Turner, Moses		
Turner, Necy	February 05, 1800	
Turner, Noel	May 11, 1764	January 21, 1837
Turner, Noel	April 01, 1830	1906
Turner, Noel, Jr.	August 08, 1807	
Turner, Richard Carl	May 13, 1914	August 16, 1981
Turner, Richard Franklin		

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Turner, Sarah	February 02, 1767	September 18, 1858
Turner, Sarah	August 09, 1797	
Turner, Simon N.		
Turner, Sugars		
Turner, Thomas		
Turner, Tolliver	November 08, 1823	
Turner, William		
Turner, William	July 30, 1802	
Turner, William	December 27, 1815	
Van McArthur, Peter	January 11, 1964	
Vincent, Huguette, "de France"	1664	October 28, 1717
Vincent, Pierre	1631	1686
Watkins, Dorothy Marie		
Whepley, Cora		
Williams, Samuel		
Williams, Susannah		
Williford, Rebecca A.		



"I Remember Mom, Dad And The Sycamore"

by Elmer Ezell

This incident, from my youth, is recalled as a result of my memories being re-kindled by the story "The Day a Hobo Called Me" in the Premiere Collectors Edition, of Reminisce, Jan. 1992.

Boxcar Willie (Wm Martin) of country music fame explains the name "Hobos" is a contraction for "Hoe Boys" that were actually transient workers who worked the fields for farmers in different parts of the country. Originally they furnished their own hoes. The different growing seasons caused their migration and their meager wages necessitated the illicit mode of freight train transportation.

I am grateful for the name "Hobos" and the values of the day in which it was bestowed. If the naming of this group was required in this age, I fear some hip rapper would saddle them with "hoers", creating a phoney phonetical inference, which would be a blatant miscarriage of justice. Such a name would be quite inappropriate for those stopping at our house, as they did not shrink from assigned chores and were willing workers.

Secretly, I rejoiced the mornings of their visits, because I knew, at least for a day, I would not have to split wood, rake leaves, mow grass, spade the garden, etc.

Many mornings we would have as many as three different visitors one after another. We never had four or more. They would appear at approximately 30 min. intervals and never came after 10 a.m. The first Hobo would usually get the best hand-out, both in quality and quantity. It follows that he also was

assigned the most distasteful or difficult chores. Subsequent callers had fewer or no chores and their rewards, as a rule, diminished proportionally. This was not planned, merely a matter of economics, as my Mom would have spread a feast for all if it had been within her means. Several times when our cupboard was bare, or nearly so, all that was served was a stack of hoe-cakes, saturated in fresh churned butter; swimming in sorghum syrup, for which Mom was apologetic and the Hobos thankful.

There were nine children and it was extremely difficult for Dad to provide for a family of eleven during the height (or depth if you prefer) of the great depression. This required his absence from home more often than not. Consequently, it fell Mom's lot to manage the household affairs as well as being the disciplinarian.

Mom's time was extremely limited and seldom did she elaborate on a subject. Often she would use an intonation in speaking, the special meaning of which we children learned early on. Most of these were related to instruction of prohibition. The weakest prohibition, such as "that is unwise" or "I prefer you do not"; as the occasion demanded, would often progress to the use of the strongest word in her vocabulary and one all of my brothers, sisters, and I dreaded to hear. It was used infrequently and once uttered, meant there was no possibility of negotiation, the subject was unalterably closed. Without degrees of variation it meant; you shall not, you must not, you can not, you should be ashamed of yourself and woe be unto you, if I catch

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you even thinking about this again. This small potent word was SHANT, a word so unattractive that I have seldom repeated it. The way Mom spoke this word and its meaning to me bordered on profanity which Mom never used or allowed in her presence.

One day, after three successive mornings of three Hobos each, Dad reached a conclusion and announced "we have been marked". He pointed out that each Hobo had to travel over 2 miles from the railroad tracks to our house. They passed 50 residences without hesitancy, looking neither right nor left but rather made a bee line to our back door. They all followed the same route on approaching but often left via diverse routes. How the Hobos knew the route to our street has always been a mystery but within a matter of minutes we learned how they knew to stop at our house as Dad had found the Hobos' mark. Dad gleefully exclaimed "it's on the tree". The mark was as Steam Train Maury described in the story in the Collectors Edition of Reminisce. It was a cross with both the vertical and horizontal lines being of equal length, bisecting each other at their center points, forming four 90 degree angles.

"The tree", in our front yard, was a magnificent sycamore, tremendous both in girth and height. Because of its large circumference and absence of low limbs "the tree" was difficult to scale. The panorama enjoyed from its uppermost branches was well worth the effort. From this lofty perch I could literally look down on friend and foe alike. In my fantasy, I was king of all I could see.

To the south three miles distance could be seen the sparkling

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'waters of the Gulf of Mexico', two miles to the west was the abandoned ruins of the International Shipyard where on November 11, 1918, many workers threw their tools overboard and started returning to their respective farms and homes to pursue more preferred endeavors. Further west the river comes into view that prompted Longfellow to pen, "Gnarled oaks and cypress knees from the Pascagoula's sunny bays", in his poem, " The Building of a Ship". [The words were not checked for accuracy but recalled from eighth grade literature. I never cared for the poem but our teacher thought it lovely.]

Continuing clockwise, gazing over the almost deserted business district to the north and continuing further about three miles east along the L & N Railroad tracks was an area thick with trees and dense foliage. A ribbon of blue smoke was often seen as it wafted toward the sky. Later I learned that the smoke was from the Hobo's campfire in their Hobo jungle. Years later, as the area gave way to progress, I visited the site and found a quantity of lost or discarded personal objects, such as buttons and belt buckles. Dime store quality knives, forks, and spoons were in abundance along with rusty cans of various capacities. The cans were apparently used over the camp fire and doubled as serving utensils.

The area was rich in sassafras roots, many of which were exposed, some pre-boiled. Obviously the Hobos drank a lot of sassafras tea. This came as no surprise as our town had long been known for its unpalatable odious water. It is understandable why the "squirrel went berserk in the first righteous church in



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Pascagoula". He probably had fallen in the baptistery.

I had not noticed the Hobos' mark before Dad pointed it out and would not have understood its meaning if I had. It was partially obscured by several years growth as Mother Nature tried to heal the wound. From the mark's age Dad concluded that our back door hand outs had been going on for some time. I suspect all Dad could see at the moment was dollar marks. A wake of sand and gravel followed Dad's car as he scratched off, heading toward the business area of our town.

Dad was held in high regard throughout the area. He had been elected to highest office in the county, was a member of the school board and active in civic organizations and community affairs, consequently, it wasn't a problem for him to round up a crew of four husky woodcutters in less than an hour. The workmen brought an array of axes, saws, safety lines, ladders, and related equipment. Mom met them at "The Tree" and inquired as to their intention.

I had not heretofore, witnessed a confrontation between Mom and Dad and I admit I was nervous about the outcome. The air was filled with tension, as Dad explained the obvious, which was, he intended to cut the sycamore down level to the ground; removing the Hobo's mark and preventing its return forevermore.

Mom was calm and composed. Little did I realize I was going to hear the longest speech, to my knowledge, that she ever made. Time has dimmed most of what she said but the gist of her remarks was as follows:

"What has this tree done? What crime could it have possibly

committed? No! There is no fault in the tree. It is a little cross carved thereon that provokes you to take such drastic action. How did the cross get there and what does it mean?

Some time ago a hungry traveler passed our way and asked for food and drink. He left satisfied, refreshed, and with a heart so filled with gratitude he left a sign for others that may pass this way also needing food and drink. To those that follow him the mark means that someone in this house will share with a less fortunate, a portion of what she has whether it be a lot or little.

I am that someone. The cross is not a Hobo's mark at all, as it represents Me. Therefore, it is My mark, I claim it and "The Tree" that bares it."

Mom's voice dropped a couple of octaves and while, barely audible, she eloquently but softly said "and you gentlemen shant cut "My Tree" down."

It was almost unbelievable that the dreaded "shant" would work on Dad, but he said not a word as he helped the workmen gather their tools.

Perhaps, I felt sorry for Dad because I had never known him to encounter a situation that he could not win or handle gracefully. Of course, I would have felt worse if he had succeeded in cutting the tree down.

Later, in a consoling attitude I asked Dad if his wanting to cut the tree down was motivated by the thought that one of the Hobos might come back at night and rob us. I guess I was trying to give him an out.

In a jovial manner he answered, that only an idiot would break in a house filled with eleven people. Further the Hobos were smart enough to know we had nothing worth stealing. They are also smart enough to know if we had something of value, they would not have to steal - all they would have to do is to let their needs be known to your generous Mother who would see to it that they would not leave empty handed.

After this point in time Dad mellowed, so much so he actually participated in some of Mom's generous efforts. As time passed it was only natural that all of us children left home and started our own families.

Mom continued her generosity for ten years after Dad died when she too passed away. Soon after Mom died, without apparent cause our healthy magnificent sycamore died and had to be taken down. God in his wisdom elected not to let Mom's cross remain as it was now meaningless. For the cross to remain many needy wayfarers would have been disappointingly misled. God is never devious or misleading, Mom's tree had to go.

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BY  
ELMER EZELL

THE FOLLOWING STORY does not necessarily reflect the teaching and philosophy of this church, it's staff, our teachers, the Board of deacons or the congregation.

Due to the subject matter contained herein, this story should not be repeated to children, except in the presence of adults as parental guidance is strongly recommended.

During the year 300 A.D. Satan called all his helpers together to discuss a matter of grave importance to them.

They assembled around a lake of fire and brimstone. The flames cast dancing grotesque shadows in eerie patterns on the wall, while illuminating their evil faces. The horrible odor from the pit was suffocating and almost unbearable.

A skunk it would delight  
as he wistfully prayed one night,  
"Dear Lord, if it be Thy will  
Just make me as big as a papermill."

A more unholy scene is hardly imaginable as hundreds of demons were gathered around the foot of Satan's throne.

Satan was upset and in one of his worst moods. He explained that the early disciples of Jesus had done so much for the Kingdom of God that the true church was growing rapidly and many souls were being saved.

Satan pointed out that everywhere the Disciples had gone, they begat more Disciples, who in turn begat even more disciples; who in turn begat more disciples until the number of Christians were threatening the very foundation of Hell. This was being done by their teaching and preaching the saving grace of the atoneing death of the cross and miraculous resurrection of the Risen Lord.

In between the cursing, the obscenities and blasphemies Satan revealed that if they were to remain a viable force, they had to do something drastic to subvert the truth, and pervert the resurrection, whereby fewer souls would be saved. As long as the saving Grace of Jesus remained untarnished, they would be able to corrupt only a few of the



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unsuspecting.

One of the demons, whose name was Herod said, "We could claim that Jesus was really one of our secret agents and that it is we, not He who offers salvation and that Jesus is now reigning with us.

For a moment it appeared Satan would explode, he was so angry. He screamed "if you had done away with Jesus when he was a young child as I instructed you we would not be in this predicament.. And now you ask me to embrace Him and share my Kingdom with Him. Guards! Guards! into the pit of fire with him! " Another demon, the epitome of dignity, who had been a judge, said, "Oh wise and mighty master, may I make a humble suggestion?"

Satan, who was calmed by the soothing words answered "you may continue, but if your suggestion is unworthy and you say, "I wash my hands of the entire matter", you will surely join your friend the EX-King in the lake of fire. With this encouragement, Pilate said, "we can hide the date of resurrection, tying it into some festive occasion. Why we can even use God's own handiwork like the glorious beauty of springtime to help hide the truth. Then we can start a program of fooling the children in a sneaky and subtle way so that when they grow up they will be easy marks for us".

Now, Satan liked this idea very much and called upon all of his demons to help in working out the details. Not only was the beauty of spring to be used but, the churches, God's own houses were to be decorated and beautiful music was to be played and sung. The ladies were to be dressed in the finest and latest fashions. The clothing industry would sponsor parades. The children would have parties and receive multi-colored eggs brought by a bunny rabbit. Candy and cookies would be the order of the day.

A demonette or demoness, if you prefer, by the name of Jezebal spoke up. "Satan, she said, two lies are better than one. While we are distracting from the resurrection, we can create an even bigger occasion which could help overshadow the perfect gift of Love from God. Why, we can use God's own works to defeat Him. Satan's pointed "ears and horns" stood straight up as he was obviously interested.

Jezebel continued, "we can use the Scripture as the bases of this celebration. We can take the "virgin birth", the "prophecy of His coming, ""the Star of Bethlehem" and have all the people on earth worship His birth rather than His substitutionary death which saves them. Who can possibly find fault with worshipping the Birth of The Christ Child, she added as an after thought." Satan was elated and said. "Jezebel indeed you are a woman after my own heart. Work out the details, use as many demons as necessary, spare no expense and get back to me."

At the next meeting, Jezebel unfolded the details.

The Birth of Jesus was to be magnified by every means possible. Every one would be given time off from work and while their minds were idle Satan's servants would really try to do a number on them. Many customs were to be instituted. In fact, a minor demon came up with the custom of having a piece of evergreen which, when held over the head of a member of the opposite sex, would cast a spell over them. This demon was going to call this evergreen, "miss my head" as a sarcastic slap at God's promise to crush the head of Satan. But Jezebel insisted on a more subtle name. Since their toes were the furthestest part of their anatomy from their heads, she agreed to naming the plant "missed my toe." This plant is known today as just "mistletoe".

Many other customs were devised. Parties would be held, and religious scenes would be depicted in the churches and other gathering places.

The manufacturers of goods were to sponser a program of exchanging gifts among adults and Satan was to create a false spirit who would bring gifts and toys to the children.

Satan was enthralled and could hardly contain his enthusiasm. With abounding zeal, he asked Jezebel to elaborate on this false Christmas spirit she envisioned. Jezebel explained the first problem was his disguise. When she tried a black suit, the evil red of Satan's body gave him a purple cast, when she tried a white suit, Satan looked a sick pink. She found another shade of red which toned down Satans real color and was quite acceptable. Satan was pleased with his suit as red had always been his trade mark.

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Jezebel advised Satan that their costume and make-up department had designed a cap that would hide his pointed ears and horns, false whiskers to cover his goatee and a big pair of baggy pants and boots in which he could stuff his forked tail. Further, the entire suit would be lined with fur. To this Satan said, "Oh no, I can't wear fur in this place, it is too hot".

Patiently, Jezebel explained that he would not be identified with the hot place, it would be a dead give away. As was their lying custom, he would be from the coldest place known.

Satan said, if I am going to be from the North Pole, just what am I going to use to deliver all these toys to the children? Jezebel's reply was, a sleigh, of course, and eight flying reindeer. Satan muttered, "Reindeer don't know how to fly!"; to which Jezebel replied, "Anyone that can make Easter rabbits lay candy eggs ought to be able to make reindeer fly."

"What will I be called, have you thought of an alias?", asked Satan.

"Well, the best name I could think of is Santa Claus", she answered.

"Where in the world did you get a name like that?" asked Satan. Jezebel said, "I looked at your real name and it occurred to me that if I took the last letter or the 'N' and placed it in the center between the 'A' and 'T', I had a new word, or Santa."

"Very clever, Ho! Ho! Ho!, and where did Claus come from?"

"When I was a child," said Jezebel, "we lived near the seashore, and I had this cat that liked to play at the beach. But, every day my mother would say, 'don't let that cat in here, can't you see he has sandy claws.' The words seem to go together."

Ho' Ho' Ho' Satan laughed and Jezebel suggested he practice on the Ho! Ho! Ho!, as it sounded pretty good. Jezebel said, "The only thing that worries me about this plan, is that some may be converted into knowing the truth that Jesus is the Son of God, the real Messiah. It would be counter productive if they entered into

a spirit of love and faith as a result of our efforts." Satan answered, "that's a chance we will have to take. I believe we can corrupt millions of unsuspecting souls with this plan. It is worthy of our greatest efforts.

They all danced around the pit of fire singing, Ho! Ho! Ho! Here comes Santa Claus, Here comes Santa Claus - Ho! Ho! Ho!



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Found No connection to the Ezells in  
CLARK CO. Alabama  
Benjamin Ezell (#542)

BORN: C. 1792 - Pike County, Mississippi  
DIED: 06/29/1835 - Pike County, Mississippi  
AGE AT DEATH: 43 years, 6 months, 29 days  
MARRIED: Rebecca Morris (#541)  
Jan. 16, 1817 - Hancock, Mississippi

<<<<NO RECORDED ANCESTORS>>>>

DESCENDANTS

Jesse (B.) Ezell	(#173)	Born:	C. 1826
William Henry Ezell	(#75)	Born:	3/?/1855
Henry Ezell	(#517)		
Minnie Ezell	(#531)	Born:	C. 1886
Lillie M. Brewton	(#533)	Born:	C. 1918
Orland L. Brewton	(#534)	Born:	C. 1920
Ira A. Ezell	(#515)	Born:	2/01/1888
Curtis Tanger Ezell	(#4)	Born:	C. 1895
Hazel Esteil Ezell	(#221)	Born:	C. 1920
Preston Lee Ezell	(#510)	Born:	FEB. 05, 1923
Doris Hester Louise Ezell	(#220)	Born:	APR 17 1924
William Eugene Ezell	(#126)	Born:	DEC 2 1928
Jesse J. Ezell	(#508)	Born:	9/16/1900
Jesse C. Ezell	(#514)	Born:	4/17/1925
Joseph H. Ezell	(#650)	Born:	Dec. 21, 1856
Laura Henrietta Ezell	(#651)	Born:	Nov. 21, 1857
John L. Ezell	(#549)	Born:	11/2/1859
Margaret Henrietta Ezell	(#552)	Born:	10/23/1891
Mary Ezell	(#522)	Born:	9/?/1863
Matthew Anderson Ezell	(#646)	Born:	03/07/1866
Annie Eliza. Ezell	(#520)	Born:	c. 1868
Sarah Matilda Ezell	(#647)	Born:	Jan. 07, 1868
Robert Miles Ezell	(#648)	Born:	Sep. 20, 1870
Francis Irene Ezell	(#649)	Born:	07/26/1874
Martha Jane Ezell	(#525)	Born:	7/13/1876
Lucinda Ezell	(#548)	Born:	C. 1827
John Wilson Ezell	(#546)	Born:	C. 1829
Jafferson Ezell	(#544)	Born:	C. 1831
Adline Ezell	(#547)	Born:	C. 1834
Franklin Ezell	(#545)	Born:	C. 1836
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GREAT GRAND CHILDREN (6)			
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*Found No connection to the Ezells  
in CLARK Co. Alabama*

John L. Ezell (#549)

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BORN: 11/2/1859 - Santa Rosa, Florida  
MARRIED: Henrietta Jane Diamond (#550)  
6/9/1881 - Santa Rosa, Florida  
AVERAGE LIFETIME OF ANCESTORS: 64 years, 3 months, 16 days  
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ANCESTORS

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Benjamin Ezell (#542)-----\
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Jesse (B.) Ezell (#173)-----\
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Rebecca Morris (#541)-----/
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                               John L. Ezell (#549)
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Littleton Wells (#21)-----\
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Anna Eliza. Wells (#554)-----/
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Marthia (Wells)? (#20)-----/

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DESCENDANTS

Margaret Henrietta Ezell (#552) Born: 10/23/1891  
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CHILDREN (1)

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*Found No connection to Ezells in Clark Co. Alabama*

Martha Jane Ezell (#525)

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BORN: 7/13/1876 - Florida  
DIED: 12/20/1955 - Evergreen Cemetery, FL.  
AGE AT DEATH: 79 years, 5 months, 7 days  
MARRIED: Augustus Brantley (#526)  
AVERAGE LIFETIME OF ANCESTORS: 64 years, 3 months, 16 days  
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ANCESTORS

*Jesse Ezell*  
~~Benjamin Ezell (#542)~~-----\

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Sarah Matilda Ezell (#647)

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BORN: Jan.07,1868 -  
DIED: Sep.10,1881 - FL, Coon Hill Cemetery  
AGE AT DEATH: 13 years, 8 months, 3 days  
AVERAGE LIFETIME OF ANCESTORS: 64 years, 3 months, 16 days  
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ANCESTORS

Jesse Ezell  
~~Benjamin Ezell (#542)~~-----\



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Laura Henrietta Ezell (#651)

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BORN: Nov.21,1857 -

AVERAGE LIFETIME OF ANCESTORS: 64 years, 3 months, 16 days  
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ANCESTORS

*Jesse Ezell*

~~Benjamin Ezell (#542)~~-----\

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Mary Ezell (#522)

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BORN: 9/?/1863 - Florida  
DIED: 10/01/1934 - Santa Rosa, Florida  
AGE AT DEATH: 71 years, 10 months, 1 days  
MARRIED: (unknow?) Diamond (#523)  
AVERAGE LIFETIME OF ANCESTORS: 64 years, 3 months, 16 days  
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ANCESTORS

Benjamin Ezell (#542)-----\

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Jesse (B.) Ezell (#173)-----\

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Annie Eliza. Ezell (#520)

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BORN: c. 1868 - Florida  
DIED: 5/30/1942 - Milton Florida  
AGE AT DEATH: 74 years, 5 months, 30 days  
MARRIED: Jack W. Wheeler (#645)  
AVERAGE LIFETIME OF ANCESTORS: 64 years, 3 months, 16 days  
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ANCESTORS

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Benjamin Ezell (#542)-----\
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Jesse (B.) Ezell (#173)-----\
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Rebecca Morris (#541)-----/
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Annie Eliza. Ezell (#520)
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Littleton Wells (#21)-----\
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Anna Eliza. Wells (#554)-----/
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Marthia (Wells)? (#20)-----/

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<<<<NO RECORDED DESCENDANTS>>>>

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Jesse (B.) Ezell (#173)

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BORN: C. 1826 -  
DIED: C. 1889 -  
AGE AT DEATH: 63 years, 0 months, 0 days  
MARRIED: Anna Eliza. Wells (#554)  
          C. 1854 - Florida  
AVERAGE LIFETIME OF ANCESTORS: 43 years, 6 months, 29 days  
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ANCESTORS

Benjamin Ezell (#542)-----\

Jesse (B.) Ezell (#173)

Rebecca Morris (#541)-----/



AVERAGE LIFETIME OF ANCESTORS: 63 years, 3 months, 13 days

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Jesse C. Ezell (#514)

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BORN: 4/17/1925 -  
DIED: 12/30/1980 -  
AGE AT DEATH: 55 years, 8 months, 13 days  
AVERAGE LIFETIME OF ANCESTORS: 66 years, 4 months, 13 days  
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ANCESTORS

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Benjamin Ezell (#542)-----\  
    Jesse (B.) Ezell (#173)-----\  
Rebecca Morris (#541)-----/    |  
    William Henry Ezell (#75)-----\  
Littleton Wells (#21)-----/    |  
    Anna Eliza. Wells (#554)-----/  
Marthia (Wells)? (#20)-----/    |  
    Jesse J. Ezell (#508)-----\  
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Roxanna Cobb (#72)-----/    |  
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Jesse C. Ezell (#514)  
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Florence Hadley (#509)-----/
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<<<<NO RECORDED DESCENDANTS>>>>

## Certificate of Marriage

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, JONES COUNTY

I, DONICE V. KNIGHT, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County and Custodian of the Marriage Records thereof, do hereby certify that the said Marriage Records show that on the 8th day of January, 1885

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### THE RITES OF MATRIMONY

Page No. 131 were celebrated between

Mr. A. B. Steelman and

M<sup>iss</sup> Sarah E. Ezell

By David Blue, M. B. S.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, this 21st day of September, 1973

DONICE V. KNIGHT, Clerk

Jane Turnipseed, D. C.

My Grandfather and Grandmother Allen Benjamin Steelman & Sarah E. Ezell

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Bureau of the Census		STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		State File No. 13542
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI				
1. PLACE OF DEATH—				
County <u>Lowell</u>		City or Town <u>Hattiesburg</u>		Inside or Outside Corporate Limits? <u>Inside</u>
Hospital		or Street and Number <u>1207 First Ave</u>		or Rural Precinct
Length of Stay Before Death, (a) in Hospital (b) in this Community <u>D. 4</u>				
2. RESIDENCE BEFORE DEATH—				
State <u>Miss</u>		County <u>Forrest</u>		City or Town <u>Hattiesburg</u> or Rural Precinct
3. (a) FULL NAME <u>Miss Sarah Ellen Holman</u> If Foreign Born How Long in U. S. Yrs.				
3. (b) If veteran, name war		3. (c) Social Security No. <u>345</u>		
4. Sex <u>Female</u> 5. Color or Race <u>White</u> 6. (a) Single, widowed, married, divorced <u>Widowed</u>				
6. (b) Name of husband or wife <u>W. Holman</u> 6. (c) Age of husband or wife if alive, years				
7. Birth date of deceased <u>1-9-1867</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)				
8. AGE: Years <u>79</u> Months <u>8</u> Days <u>25</u> If less than one day hr. min.				
9. Birthplace <u>State Line Miss</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)				
10. Usual occupation <u>House Wif</u>				
11. Industry or business				
12. Name <u>D. K.</u>				
13. Birthplace <u>D. K.</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)				
14. Maiden name <u>W. Holman</u>				
15. Birthplace <u>D. K.</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)				
16. (a) Informant's signature <u>H. B. Cottrell</u>				
(b) Address <u>Hattiesburg, Miss</u>				
17. (a) <u>Buried</u> (b) Date <u>10-4-46</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)				
(c) Place <u>Highland Park</u>				
18. (a) Signature, funeral director <u>Paul B. Hawkins</u>				
(b) Address <u>Hattiesburg, Miss</u>				
19. (a) <u>10-18-46</u> (b) <u>Ed. Mc. Mann</u> (Date received local registrar) (Registrar's signature)				
20. Date of death: Month <u>Oct</u> day <u>3</u> year <u>1946</u> hour <u>7:30</u> A. M. or P. M.				
21. I hereby certify that I attended the death and that I last saw <u>her</u> alive on <u>10/31/46</u> and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above.				
Immediate cause of death <u>leukemia</u> DURATION <u>1-2 1/2</u>				
Due to <u>Hypertension</u>				
Other conditions (Include pregnancy within 3 months of death)				
MAJOR FINDINGS: Of operations				
Of autopsy				
22. If death was due to external causes, fill in the following:				
(a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify)				
(b) Date of occurrence				
(c) Where did injury occur? (City or town) (County) (State)				
(d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place? (Specify type of place)				
While at work? <u>Yes</u> Name of injury				
Signature <u>H. B. Cottrell</u> M. D.				
Address <u>State Office</u> Date Signed <u>10/17/46</u>				

### CERTIFIED COPY OF RECORD OF DEATH

I, Hugh B. Cottrell, M. D., State Registrar of Vital Statistics, hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of the death record of the person named therein, the original being on file in this office

Given at Jackson, Mississippi, over my signature and under the official seal of my office, this the **29th day of March, 1973.**

Hugh B. Cottrell, M. D. State Registrar

Paul Burnell Hawkins  
Paul Burnell Hawkins Deputy State Registrar

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Geo. D. Riley, Auditor of Public Accounts and Pension Commissioner of the State of Mississippi

APPLICATION FOR PENSION  
FORM 4—WIDOWS

PRORATE

How Made; What to Contain; Description of Disabilities; Oath Prescribed

Application of Widow of Soldier or Sailor of the Late Confederacy, under Chapter 108, Code of 1906 as amended by Chapter 333, Laws of 1924.

Application must be filed in duplicate with the Chancery Clerk on or before the first Monday in July 1924, and thereafter in September of the year in which the application is first filed.

(Applicant must answer all of the following questions.)

- Q. 1. What is your name? Answer Martha Ellen Ezell
- Q. 2. In what state and county do you reside? Answer Jackson Co. State Miss.
- Q. 3. What is the name of your Post Office? Answer Pascagoula Miss.
- Q. 4. Are you a bona fide resident of the United States? Answer yes  
(Yes or no)
- Q. 5. Are you a bona fide resident of the State of Mississippi? Answer yes  
(Yes or no)
- Q. 6. What was your husband's name? Answer Johnathan Ezell
- Q. 7. When and where were you married? Answer Wyanokawa Sept. 1, 1865
- Q. 8. Have you since remarried? Answer no
- Q. 9. Are you an inmate of the Beauvoir Soldier's Home? Answer no  
(Yes or no)
- Q. 10. Was your husband a bona fide citizen of the United States and of the State of Mississippi?  
Answer yes  
(Yes or no)
- Q. 11. What was the date of your husband's enlistment? Answer Beginning of War
- Q. 12. In what state, county and place did he reside when he enlisted?  
Answer Jackson Co. State Mississippi
- Q. 13. Give the names of officers of his company, regiment or vessel? Col. David  
Captain Henry Roberts, Company C. 24th Miss. Regiment  
Answer Henry R. Co. 24th Miss. Regiment
- Q. 14. Was he ever discharged from his command? Answer no  
(Yes or no)
- Q. 15. If so, for what cause? Answer no
- Q. 16. Was he in active service at the surrender in 1865? Answer no  
(Yes or no)
- Q. 17. If not, why? Answer retained in prison

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a widow of a Confederate Soldier or Sailor (as the case may be); that he was honorably discharged or paroled, or did not desert from the Confederate service (as the case may be); that I reside in this State; that the statements set forth in the application are true and correct as the applicant verily believes; so help me God."

(Signature of pensioner)

Martha Ellen Ezell

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24 day of

June

1924

Geo. D. Riley Chancery Clerk

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Local History & Genealogy Department  
Ezell Family History

AFFIDAVIT - We, the undersigned, verily believe the facts stated in the above application to be true and the applicant to be the identical person named in the said application.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31 day of August A. D., 1916  
[Signature] (Signature of Officer)  
[Signature] (Signature of Witness)  
[Signature] (Signature of Witness)

Office of Chancery Clerk and County Board of Inquiry, Perry County,  
New Augusta Miss. Sept 4 1916

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Inquiry, hereby approve the foregoing application of Martha Ezell for pension because we know the applicant to be indigent and unable to earn a livelihood, and that we believe the facts stated in the above application are true and the party should receive a pension.

Given under our hands and seals of office, this 4 day of Sept 1916

[Signature] [Seal]  
President of Board  
[Signature] [Seal]  
[Signature] [Seal]  
[Seal]  
[Seal]  
[Seal]  
[Signature] [Seal]  
Chancery Clerk

ATTEST:  
[Signature] Chancery Clerk  
(Attach Seal of Office)

N. B. - If the Board approves this application, the Chancery Clerk will so certify, after recording the same in a book kept for that purpose, and forward all of the approved applications in a body (not one at a time) to the Auditor's office by the first day of October.  
~~No~~ No application forwarded after that time will be received.  
~~Rejected~~ Rejected applications should not be forwarded to this office.

Pension Application

[Signature] County.  
Name of Applicant  
Martha Ezell  
Postoffice  
Chas.

No. of Application 1  
Form No. 6  
Special Instructions to Chancery Clerks:  
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APPROVED—We, the undersigned, certify that the facts stated in the above application are true and the applicant is the identical person named in the said application.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24 day  
of June, 1924

*J. A. Brown*  
(Signature of Witness)  
*W. J. Brown*  
(Signature of Witness)  
*W. J. Brown*  
(Signature of Officer) *Chancery Clerk*  
(Signature of Witness)

NOTE—Must be attested by one or more creditable witnesses.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24 day of June, 1924

*Martha Ellen Ezell*  
(Signature of applicant)  
*W. J. Brown*  
(Signature of Officer) *Chancery Clerk*  
(Signature of Witness)

OFFICE OF CHANCERY CLERK AND COUNTY BOARD OF INQUIRY  
*Pascagoula* MISS. *Jackson* COUNTY  
*July 14* 1924

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Inquiry, hereby approve the foregoing application of *Martha Ellen Ezell* for pension because we believe the facts stated in the application are true and the party should receive a pension.

Given under our hands and seal of office, this 14 day of July, 1924

*W. J. Brown* (Seal)  
President of Board.  
*S. J. Brown* (Seal)  
*W. J. Brown* (Seal)  
*W. J. Brown* (Seal)  
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*W. J. Brown* (Seal)  
Chancery Clerk.

ATTEST  
*W. J. Brown*  
(Attach Seal of Office) Chancery Clerk

N. B.—If the Board approves this application, the Chancery Clerk will so certify, after recording the same in a book kept for that purpose, and forward all of the approved applications in a body to the Auditor's Office by the first day of October.

No application forwarded after that time will be received.

PENSION APPLICATION

*Jackson* County

Name of Applicant

*Martha Ellen Ezell*

Postoffice

*Pascagoula, Miss.*

No. of Application

FORM NO. 4—WIDOWS

PRORATE

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## APPLICATION FOR PENSION

How Made; What to Contain; Description of Disabilities; Oath Prescribed

Form No. 6

### General Prorate Class

Application for Indigent Widow of Soldier or Sailor of the Late Confederacy, under Chapter 102, Code of 1906, as amended by Laws of April 5th, 1910 and Laws March 24th, 1916. Sec. 1 of Laws 1916 being as follows: "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi that all applications for pensions heretofore made and filed, be and same are hereby declared void, and any person desiring to share in the future distribution of the pension fund, shall on or before the first Monday in September 1916, file a new application, using blanks to be furnished by the Auditor of Public Accounts through the Chancery Clerks of the various counties."

Applications must be filed with the Chancery Clerk on or before the first Monday in September 1916, and no application will be entertained not on the printed form.

(Applicant must make answer to all of the following Questions.)

- Q. What is your name? Answer Martha Ezell
- Q. What is your age? Answer 71 years
- Q. Are you a bona fide resident of the State of Mississippi? Answer yes
- Q. How long have you resided in Mississippi? Answer about 65 years
- Q. In what county do you reside? Answer Perry
- Q. What is the name of your postoffice? Answer Rehoboth
- Q. What was your husband's name? Answer Johnathan Ezell
- Q. When were you married? Answer 1865
- Q. In what State and county did he reside when he enlisted in the service of the Confederate States? Answer Greene County, Mississippi
- Q. What was the date of his enlistment? Answer July 4<sup>th</sup> 1861
- Q. What was the name of the Company and regiment or vessel in which he enlisted? Answer James Harrison's Company "A" 24<sup>th</sup> Mississippi Vols
- Q. How long was he in actual service of the Confederacy? Answer 4 years
- Q. What were the names of the officers of the company, or regiment, or vessel, during the time he was in the service? Answer Capt Henry Roberts, Lieut Yates
- Q. Did he die in the service or did he serve until the close of the war? Answer in close of war
- Q. Was he honorably discharged? Answer yes
- Q. When was he discharged? Answer In the Spring of 1865
- Q. Where was he discharged? Answer Rock Island
- Q. Did he serve until the surrender? Answer yes
- Q. Where did he die? Answer Fannest County, Mississippi
- Q. What regiment or vessel did your husband belong to at the time of his death? Answer none
- Q. The name of the commander? Answer none
- Q. What company did your husband belong to at the time of his death? Answer none
- Q. Who was the captain of the company? Answer none
- Q. When did he die? Answer December 1898
- Q. Have you married since your husband's death? Answer No
- Q. Do you apply for a pension because you are indigent and unable to earn a livelihood? Answer yes
- Q. Do you hold any State, United States, County or City office from which you are receiving as a salary or fees the sum of three hundred dollars per annum? Answer no
- Q. Have you any property in your own right? Answer no
- Q. What is its true, just and correct value? Answer \$ none
- Q. Have you a home of your own? Answer no
- Q. If not, with whom do you now live? Answer A. M. Ezell
- Q. Is the person you are now living with a relative? Answer yes
- Q. If so, what relation? Answer Son
- Q. Have you any relations; if so, what relation? Answer None but children
- Q. Have you any relations or connections whose legal or moral duty it is to provide for you? Answer None who are able to properly provide for me

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August A. D. 1916  
C. C. Deaconman Martha Ezell  
(Signature of Officer) (Signature of Applicant)

"I, Martha Ezell widow of Johnathan Ezell  
do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a widow of a Confederate soldier or sailor, who was honorably discharged or paroled,  
or who did not desert the Confederate service (as the case may be); that I was married to him prior to the first day of Jan-  
uary, 1885; that I reside in this State; that I am indigent and unable to earn a support; that I have no relatives able, whose  
duty it is, to support me; that I do not own property to the value of six hundred dollars (\$600) and that I have not conveyed  
any property to anyone with a view to drawing a pension, so help me God."

(Signature of Pensioner) Martha Ezell

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31 day of Aug 1916  
C. C. Deaconman Chancery Clerk.

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AFFIDAVIT OF TWO WITNESSES

AFFIDAVIT - We, the undersigned, verily believe the facts stated in the above application to be true and the applicant to be the identical person named in the said application.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31 day of

August

A. D., 1916

W. H. Brown

(Signature of Officer)

W. H. Brown

W. H. Brown

(Signature of Witness)

W. H. Brown

(Signature of Witness)

Office of Chancery Clerk and County Board of Inquiry, Perry County,

New Augusta

Miss. Sept 4

1916

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Inquiry, hereby approve the foregoing application of Martha Ezell for pension because we know the applicant to be indigent and unable to earn a livelihood, and that we believe the facts stated in the above application are true and the party should receive a pension.

Given under our hands and seals of office, this 4 day of Sept 1916

W. H. Brown [Seal]  
President of Board

J. H. Palmer [Seal]

J. J. Courtney [Seal]

[Seal]

[Seal]

W. H. Brown [Seal]

Chancery Clerk

ATTEST:

Chancery Clerk  
(Attach Seal of Office)

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Pension Application

Perry County.

Name of Applicant

Martha Ezell

Postoffice

Perry

No. of Application 1

Form No. 6

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June 3, 1977

Date

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INFORMATION SEARCH ON CONFEDERATE SOLDIER FROM MISSISSIPPI

Soldier's name JONATHAN EZELL

Service records rarely contain family information.

In searching for information on this Confederate soldier, we used the "Index to Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Mississippi" (Microcopy No. 232), a publication of the National Archives, Washington, DC 20408.

Copies of Confederate military service records of those who served in organizations from the State of Mississippi may be purchased from the National Archives, Washington, DC 20408. No federal pensions were given Confederate veterans before 1959.

Our search has disclosed the following:

(X) We find that Jonathan Ezell served in  
Organization Company A, 24th Ms. Infanctry, CSA (RMCS)  
Rank (earliest) \_\_\_\_\_ (latest) \_\_\_\_\_

( ) We are enclosing a certificate of military service.

(X) Copies of this man's service record may be purchased from the National Archives and we are enclosing a form for your convenience.

( ) We regret that we are unable to send any information because:

( ) No soldier by this name (or variation of this name) is listed in the index.

( ) We find that there are \_\_\_\_\_ soldiers listed on the index with this name (or variations of this name). Without further information, such as the county from which he enlisted, and date of enlistment rank, complete name, etc., we cannot determine which of these men is the one whose record you are seeking. If you will supply us with additional information, we will make a further search.

(X) Among the state pension applications of Confederate veterans and widows we find application(s) for: Martha Ellen Pope Ezell

(X) We are enclosing copies of this pension application.

( ) On request, we will make copies of this epnsion application.

( ) We regret that we did not find a pension application for this person. Information might be obtained by writing to the state in which he resided after the Civil War.

( ) We are enclosing a brief history of \_\_\_\_\_ Regiment (Battalion) of Mississippi Infantry (Cavalry), CSA as shown in Dunbar Rowland's "Military History of Mississippi" in his The Official and Statistical Register of the State of Mississippi, 1908 (Nashville: Brandon Printing Co., 1908), pp. \_\_\_\_\_.

Husband

Name in Full Archie Webster Ezell  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth Aug. 13, 1877 Place Green County, Mississippi  
Date of Marriage Sept. 3, 1905 Place Forrest County, Mississippi  
Date of Death Oct. 14, 1949 Place of Burial Maspelah Cemetery, Pascagoula, Miss.  
He married one times. His name should appear on separate sheet with each wife.  
His Father's name Jonathon Ezell Record No. \_\_\_\_\_  
His Mother's maiden name Martha Ellen Pope Record No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Where was above information obtained? Jacob Hutto

Generation \_\_\_\_\_

Family \_\_\_\_\_

Instructions: Fill in what you can, leave the rest blank. Omitting and burial dates are important when birth and death dates are not available. If no date asked for, give the year, or other definite date, if possible, and state what happened on that date. Give names in full—maiden names of women, last name, first name, middle name, state, country, if possible. Use separate sheet for each family group.

Wife

Maiden Name in Full Augusta Elizabeth Tims  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth Sept. 2, 1884 Place Clarke County, Mississippi  
Date of Death Aug. 5, 1959 Place of Burial Maspelah Cemetery, Pascagoula, Miss.  
Other marriages. If she marries more than once, she should appear on separate sheet with each husband.  
Names of other husbands None  
Her Father's name Wiley Franklin Tims Record No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Her Mother's maiden name Alice Lugeniz Reynolds Record No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Where was above information obtained? \_\_\_\_\_

	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN			WHERE BORN		WHEN MARRIED			WHEN DIED*			WHERE BURIED		MARRIED TO	Carried on to Sheet No.
		Day	Month	Year	Town	State, Country	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Town	State, Country		
1	Cre Allen Ezell	24	July	1906	Hattiesburg	Mississippi	16	June	1934						Herbert Elvin Nelson	
2	Vertie Leven Ezell	3	Oct.	1907	Petal	"	28	DEC	1928				Mobile	Alabama	HANNAH ERAN GRANT DIED 28 DEC 1935	
3	Joseph Homer Ezell	28	July	1909	Richton	"						1910	Richton	Mississippi		
4	Harold Clifton Ezell	29	Sept.	1911	"	"	6	Nov.	1934	27	Apr.	1969	Moss Point	Mississippi	Carrie Montague Capers	
5	Irene Vivian Ezell	23	Aug.	1913	"	"	7	June	1936						Gaston Arnold Greenough	
6	Un-named daughter	4	Dec.	1914	"	"				15	Dec.	1914				
7	Landa Verlee Ezell	1	April	1916	"	"	3	July	1936						Edward Watkins Coker	
8	James Bernon Ezell	15	Dec.	1917	"	"	29	May	1943	16	Dec.	1976	Hattiesburg	Mississippi	Marcella Evelyn Johnson	
9	Harry Elmer Ezell	15	June	1920	Pascagoula	"	21	Nov.	1943						Margaret Elizabeth Bailey	
10	Vera Lucille Ezell	13	Dec.	1922	"	"				23(?)	MAY	1924				
11	Betty Alice Ezell	3	Feb.	1924	"	"	10	Dec.	1941						John C'Conner Hedman	
12	Archie Wayne Ezell	18	Dec.	1925	"	"	14	Jan.	1947						Josephine Carson Sellier	
13																
14																
15																

Write HISTORICAL DATA and SOURCE REFERENCES on reverse side.

\*If burial date is known, and not death date, write burial date. Prefix bur.

## APPLICATION FOR PENSION

How Made; What to Contain; Description of Disabilities; Oath Prescribed

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- Q. How long have you resided in Mississippi? Answer about 65 years
- Q. In what county do you reside? Answer Perry
- Q. What is the name of your postoffice? Answer Rehnton
- Q. What was your husband's name? Answer Johnathan Ezell
- Q. When were you married? Answer 1865
- Q. In what State and county did he reside when he enlisted in the service of the Confederate States? Answer Greene County, Mississippi
- Q. What was the date of his enlistment? Answer July 4<sup>th</sup> 1861
- Q. What was the name of the Company and regiment or vessel in which he enlisted? Answer Garrison's Warriors Company "A" 24<sup>th</sup> Mississippi Vols
- Q. How long was he in actual service of the Confederacy? Answer 4 years
- Q. What were the names of the officers of the company, or regiment, or vessel, during the time he was in the service? Answer Capt Henry Roberts, Lieut Yeates
- Q. Did he die in the service or did he serve until the close of the war? Answer till close of war
- Q. Was he honorably discharged? Answer yes
- Q. When was he discharged? Answer In the Spring of 1865
- Q. Where was he discharge? Answer Rock Island
- Q. Did he serve until the surrender? Answer yes
- Q. Where did he die? Answer Jarvis County, Mississippi
- Q. What regiment or vessel did your husband belong to at the time of his death? Answer none
- Q. The name of the commander? Answer none
- Q. What company did your husband belong to at the time of his death? Answer none
- Q. Who was the captain of the company? Answer none
- Q. When did he die? Answer December 1898
- Q. Have you married since your husband's death? Answer No.
- Q. Do you apply for a pension because you are indigent and unable to earn a livelihood? Answer yes
- Q. Do you hold any State, United States, County or City office from which you are receiving as a salary or fees the sum of three hundred dollars per annum? Answer no
- Q. Have you any property in your own right? Answer no
- Q. What is its true, just and correct value? Answer \$ none
- Q. Have you a home of your own? Answer no
- Q. If not, with whom do you now live? Answer A. M. Ezell
- Q. Is the person you are now living with a relative? Answer yes
- Q. If so, what relation? Answer Son
- Q. Have you any relations; if so, what relation? Answer None but children
- Q. Have you any relations or connections whose legal or moral duty it is to provide for you? Answer None who are able to properly provide for me

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, A. D. 1916  
C. C. Deaunman, Martha Ezell  
(Signature of Officer) (Signature of Applicant)

"I, Martha Ezell widow of Johnathan Ezell  
do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a widow of a Confederate soldier or sailor, who was honorably discharged or paroled, or who did not desert the Confederate service (as the case may be); that I was married to him prior to the first day of January, 1886; that I reside in this State; that I am indigent and unable to earn a support; that I have no relatives able, whose duty it is, to support me; that I do not own property to the value of six hundred dollars (\$600) and that I have not conveyed any property to anyone with a view to drawing a pension, so help me God."

(Signature of Pensioner) Martha Ezell

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31 day of Aug, 1916  
C. C. Deaunman Chancery Clerk.



Ezell

(CONFEDERATE.)

*E. I. 24 Miss*  
*Mrs. Ezell*  
*Pr. Co. A 24 Regt. Miss*

Appears on a Register of  
**Jackson Hospital,  
Richmond, Virginia.**

Brigade \_\_\_\_\_  
Diagnosis *Debilis* \_\_\_\_\_  
Admitted *March 6* \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
Returned to duty \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
When transferred \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
Where transferred \_\_\_\_\_  
When furloughed *March 8* \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
Time furloughed *30 days* \_\_\_\_\_  
Discharged \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
Deserted \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
Died \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
Taken the oath \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
Paroled \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
Turned over to Prov. Marshal \_\_\_\_\_, 1865  
Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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(635) *J. P. [Signature]*  
5008 Copyist.

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(Confederate.)

E | 24 | Miss.

*J. Ezelle*  
Cor., Co. A, 24 Reg't Mississippi Vols.

Appears on  
Company Muster Roll  
of the organization named above,  
or *Muster roll*, 1863

Enlisted:  
When *Sept 5*, 1861.  
Where *State Line Miss.*  
By whom *Capt Roberts*  
Period *Mar*  
Last paid:  
By whom *Lt Reid*  
To what time *Dec 31*, 1862.

Present or absent *Absent*  
Remarks: *Absent sick by  
Dr. Cooper since  
March 9 63.*

On July 9, 1865, this regiment was consolidated with  
the 24th and 25th Regiments Mississippi Infantry  
to form the 24th Regiment which was designated the 24th  
Mississippi Infantry.

Check mark

*420 Parker* Copyist.  
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(CONFEDERATE.)

J. E. Zell

Co A 24th Miss

Appears on a  
RECEIPT ROLL  
for clothing,  
for \_\_\_\_\_, 1863.

Date of issue *Apr 10*, 1863.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

Roll No. 1004

Copyist.

(CONFEDERATE.)

E | 24 | Miss

*Jonathan Ezell*  
*1st Co. A. 24 Regt Miss*

Appears on a  
Register  
of Payments on Descriptive Lists.

Period of service:  
From *Mar 1*, 1863.  
To *Apr 30*, 1863.

When paid *May 1*, 1863.  
By whom *B. F. Bonar*  
Amount *\$22*  
Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

Confed. Arch., Chap. 5, File No. 78, page *149*

*J. Nelson* Copyist.  
(585) 5810

(Confederate.)

B | 24 | Miss

*John Ezell*  
*1st Co. A. 24 Regt Miss*

Appears on a register of  
Prisoners of War,  
Department of the Cumberland.

When captured *Nov 24*, 1863.  
Where captured *Chattanooga Tenn*  
By whom captured \_\_\_\_\_  
When paroled \_\_\_\_\_, 1863.  
To what point forwarded *Smith's*  
*Nov 29 1863*  
Remarks: *For exchange*

Dept. of the Cumberland, Reg. No. 2; page *56*  
(Hd. Qrs. Prov. Mar. General, Nashville, Tenn.)

*E. B. Hair* Copyist.  
(589)



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(Confederate.)  
E 24 Miss.

J. Ezelle  
Priv., Co. A, 24 Reg't Mississippi Vols.

Appears on  
Company Muster Roll  
of the organization named above,  
for Aug 22 to Oct 31, 1861.

Enlisted:  
When Aug 22, 1861  
Where Green Co.  
By whom H. Roberts  
Period The war

Last paid:  
By whom  
To what time, 1861

Present or absent Present

Remarks:

1865 this regiment was consolidated with the 27th, 29th, 30th and 34th Regiments Mississippi Infantry, and formed a new regiment which was designated the 24th Regiment Mississippi Infantry.

Book mark:

4 donation

(Confederate.)  
E 24 Miss.

J. Ezelle  
Priv., Co. A, 24 Reg't Mississippi Vols.

Appears on  
Company Muster Roll  
of the organization named above,  
for Nov 1, 1861 to Feb 28, 1862.

Enlisted:  
When Aug 22, 1861  
Where Green Co. Miss.  
By whom H. Roberts  
Period the war

Last paid:  
By whom Maj. Smith  
To what time Oct 31, 1861

Present or absent Present

Remarks:

Name appears in Col. Reid's list of J. Ezelle

About April 9, 1865, this regiment was consolidated with the 27th, 29th, 30th and 34th Regiments Mississippi Infantry, and formed a new regiment which was designated the 24th Regiment Mississippi Infantry.

Book mark:

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(Confederate.)  
E 24 Miss.

J. Ezelle  
Priv., Co. A, 24 Reg't Mississippi Vols.

Appears on  
Company Muster Roll  
of the organization named above,  
for March & April, 1862.

Enlisted:  
When Sept 5, 1861  
Where State Line, Miss.  
By whom H. Roberts  
Period for the war

Last paid:  
By whom Maj. Danison  
To what time Feb 28, 1862

Present or absent Present

Remarks:

About April 9, 1865, this regiment was consolidated with the 27th, 29th, 30th and 34th Regiments Mississippi Infantry, and formed a new regiment which was designated the 24th Regiment Mississippi Infantry.

Book mark:

4 donation

(Confederate.)  
E 24 Miss.

John Ezelle  
Priv., Co. A, 24 Reg't Mississippi Vols.

Appears on  
Regimental Return  
of the organization named above,  
for the month of March, April, May, June, 1862.

Commissioned officers present and absent:

Station:

Remarks:

Alterations since last return among the enlisted men:  
Date, 1861  
Place:  
Remarks:

Enlisted men on Extra or Daily Duty:  
Detailed as Regt. Master

Absent enlisted men accounted for:

About April 9, 1865, this regiment was consolidated with the 27th, 29th, 30th and 34th Regiments Mississippi Infantry, and formed a new regiment which was designated the 24th Regiment Mississippi Infantry.

Book mark:

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DATE <i>9/20/73</i>		A, 24 Miss. Inf. CSA	
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GSA FORM 6751 (REV. 11-72)

(Confederate.)  
*E* | *24* | *Miss.*

*J. Ezelle*

*Per* { Capt. Henry Roberts' Co. (Gaines Warriors), Mississippi Volunteers.\*

Appears on  
Company Muster Roll†  
of the organization named above,  
for *dated Sept 10*, 1861.

Enlisted:  
When *Aug 22*, 1861  
Where *Greene Co Miss*  
By whom *Capt Roberts*  
Period *The war*

Present or absent *Present*

Remarks:

\*This company subsequently became Company A, 24th Regiment Mississippi Infantry.  
About April 9, 1865, this regiment was consolidated with the 27th, 29th, 30th and 34th Regiments Mississippi Infantry and formed a new regiment which was designated the 24th Regiment Mississippi Infantry.  
†Caption of roll shows: "Mustered into Service from the 10th day of September, 1861."

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(642) *J. D. Tolson* Copyist.

(Confederate.)  
*E* | *24* | *Miss.*

*J. Ezell*

*Per* { Capt. Henry Roberts' Company, 24 Reg't Mississippi Volunteers.\*

Age *22* years.

Appears on  
Company Muster Roll  
of the organization named above,  
for *from Sept 10*, 1861.  
*not dated*

Enrolled:  
When *Aug 22*, 1861  
Where *Greene Co Miss*  
By whom *J. Roberts*

Mustered into service:  
When *Sept 10*, 1861  
Where *Marion Station, Miss*  
By whom *Capt. E. J. Harvie*

NOTE: "I, J. D. Tolson, certify that the above named company was duly mustered into the Confederate States Army and constitutes a part of the Dowd Regiment, No. [24], Miss. Volunteers.—J. D. TOLSON, A. Q. M., C. S. A."

Remarks:

\*This company subsequently became Company A, 24th Regiment Mississippi Infantry.  
About April 9, 1865, this regiment was consolidated with the 27th, 29th, 30th and 34th Regiments Mississippi Infantry and formed a new regiment which was designated the 24th Regiment Mississippi Infantry.

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(Confederate.)  
E 24 Miss

John Ezell  
Pvt. Co. A 24 Regt Miss Inf

Appears on a  
Roll of Prisoners of War  
forwarded from Louisville Military Prison to Rock  
Island, Ill., Dec. 1, 1863.  
Roll dated Headquarters District of Kentucky,  
Louisville, Dec. 1, 1863.

Where captured Chattanooga Tenn  
When captured Nov 24, 1863.  
Remarks:

Number of roll: 117, sheet 3  
S. N. Hammer  
(639b) Copyist.

(Confederate.)  
E 24 Miss

John Ezell  
Pvt. Co. A 24 Regt Miss Inf

Appears on a  
Roll of Prisoners of War  
at Rock Island Barracks, Ill., received from Louis-  
ville, Ky.  
Roll dated Rock Island Barracks, Ill., December  
14, 1863.

Where captured Chattanooga  
When captured Nov 24, 1863.  
Remarks: Entered Dec 5/63.

Number of roll: 1  
J. N. Hamley  
(639b) Copyist.

(Confederate.)  
E 24 Miss

Johnathan Ezell  
Pvt. Co. A 24 Regt Mississippi Vols.

Appears on  
Company Muster Roll  
of the organization named above,  
for Jan & Feb., 1864

Enlisted:  
When Sept 3, 1863  
Where State Line, Miss  
By whom Capt Roberts  
Period 3 yrs  
Last paid:  
By whom Maj. Gordon  
To what time Aug 31, 1863  
Present or absent Absent  
Remarks: In the press since 24 Nov  
63 Lookout Mt.

About April 9, 1865, this regiment was consolidated with  
the 27th, 29th, 30th and 34th Regiments Mississippi Infantry,  
and formed a new regiment which was designated the 24th  
Regiment Mississippi Infantry.

Book mark:

Number of roll: 118  
J. N. Hamley  
(642) Copyist.

(Confederate.)  
E 24 Miss

John Ezell  
Pvt. Co. A 24 Regt Miss Inf

Name appears as signature to a  
Roll of Prisoners of War  
at Rock Island Barracks, Ill., transferred February  
25, 1865, for exchange.  
Roll dated Headquarters Rock Island Barracks,  
Feb. 25, 1865.

Where captured Chattanooga Tenn  
When captured Nov 24, 1864.  
Remarks:

Signs by W. H. Harts

Roll 41, Fort Columbus, New Harbor, bears the follow-  
ing indorsement, which also appears to the men whose names  
are borne on this roll: "Received boultwares Wharf, Va., Mch.  
6, '65, from Jno. E. Mulford, Lieut. Col. & U. S. Agt. for Ex-  
change, Six hundred and two paroled Confederate prisoners  
of War on within rolls, including ninety-seven officers."  
W. H. Harts, Asst. Agent of Exch."

Number of roll: 118  
R. Buckner  
(639b)

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(Confederate.)  
E | 1 | 24 | Miss  
John Ezell  
Capt. A. 24 Regt. Miss. Inf.  
Appears on a  
Roll of Prisoners of War  
at Nashville, Tenn., captured by the forces under  
Major General Thomas, and forwarded to Capt.  
S. E. Jones, Provost Marshal at Louisville, Ky.,  
Nov. 29, 1863.  
Roll dated Headquarters Dept. Cumberland, Office  
Provost Marshal General, Nashville, Tenn.,  
Nov. 29, 1863.  
Where captured Chattanooga  
When captured Nov. 24, 1863  
Remarks:  
11 Dec. 1863, Mr. Genl. Dept. of the Cumb'd,  
Nashville, Tenn. Roll No. 125; sheet 2  
Number of roll:  
51; sheet 2  
63921

(Confederate.)  
E | 1 | 24 | Miss  
John Ezell  
Capt. A. 24 Regt. Miss. Inf.  
Appears on a  
Roll of Prisoners of War  
received at Military Prison, Louisville, Ky., Nov.  
30, 1863, from Nashville, Tenn.  
Roll dated Military Prison, Louisville, Ky., Nov.  
30, 1863.  
Where captured Chattanooga Tenn  
When captured Nov 24, 1863  
Remarks:  
Number of roll:  
51; sheet 2  
63921

(Confederate.)  
E | 1 | 24 | Miss  
John Ezell  
Capt. A. 24 Regt. Miss. Inf.  
Appears on a Register of  
Prisoners of War  
received at Military Prison, Louisville, Ky.  
Where captured Chattanooga Tenn  
When captured Nov 24, 1863.  
Discharged:  
Terms Rock Island  
When Dec 1, 1863.  
Remarks:  
Louisville, Ky., Register No. 2; page 24  
M. Jones

(Confederate.)  
E | 1 | 24 | Miss  
John Ezell  
Capt. A. 24 Regt. Miss. Inf.  
Appears on a roll of  
Prisoners of War  
at Military Prison, Louisville, Ky.  
When received Dec 1, 1863.  
Where captured Chattanooga  
When captured Nov 24, 1863.  
When discharged Dec 1, 1863.  
Remarks, charges, &c. Rock Island, Ill  
Louisville, Ky., Register No. 4; page 200  
J. Morris

(CONFEDERATE.)

L. J. Rice  
Capt. Co. L, 44 Regt. Ia.

Admitted Sept 10, 1866.

Disposition Carroll Lee

Date Mar 11, 1867.

Remarks: -----

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(Confederate.)  
P 44 Ga.  
Thos. J. Pope  
Capt. Co. G, 44 Reg't. Ga.  
Name appears as signature to a  
Roll of Prisoners of War  
paroled at Fort Delaware, Del., Feb'y, 1865.  
Roll dated 8  
Not dated, 186  
Where captured Spottsylvania  
When captured May 10, 1864.  
Remarks:  
X Signs by mark  
Roll indorsed: "Received Boulware's & Cox's Wharves, James Riv., Va., March 10th, 11th & 12th, 1865, from Jno. E. Mulford, Col. & U. S. Asst. Agt. Exch., Three Thousand four hundred and ninety-nine (3499) Paroled Confederate Prisoners of War, including One Hundred and Forty-three officers, on within Roll. W. H. Hatch, Asst. Agent of Exch."  
Number of roll:  
163; sheet 26  
S. B. Boyd  
Copyist.

(Confederate.)  
P 44 Ga.  
T. J. Pope  
P. Sec. Co. 44 Reg't Ga.  
Appears on a register of  
Prisoners of War  
at Fort Delaware, Del.  
Where and when captured Spottsylvania  
6.26. May 10, 1864  
When received May 20, 1864  
Died , 186  
Discharged , 186  
Exchanged Mel 7, 1865  
Transferred , 186  
Remarks:  
Fort Delaware, Del., Register No. 2; page 187  
J. Jacobson  
Copyist.

(Confederate.)  
P 44 Ga.  
T. J. Pope  
P. Sec. Co. 44 Reg't Georgia  
Appears on a  
Roll of Prisoners of War  
received at Fort Delaware, Del., from Belle Plain, Va., May 21, 1864.  
Roll dated Nov dated  
Where captured Spottsylvania  
When captured May 10, 1864  
Remarks:  
Number of roll:  
36; sheet 12  
J. B. Norton  
Copyist.

(Confederate.)  
P 44 Ga.  
Thomas J. Pope  
P. Sec. Co. 44 Reg't Georgia Infantry.  
Appears on  
Company Muster Roll  
of the organization named above,  
for July & Aug, 1864.  
Enlisted:  
When Sept 30, 1863.  
Where Camp Randall  
By whom Maj. Dunwoody  
Period 3 years or War  
Last paid:  
By whom Capt. Neary  
To what time Dec. 31, 1863.  
Present or absent absent  
Remarks: Prisoner of War  
since May 10, 1864  
Book mark:  
G. B. Norton  
Copyist.

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Pope, Thomas  
Co G, 44 Ga. Inf. C.S.A.

(CONFEDERATE.)

P 44 Ga.

T. J. Pope  
Priv. Co. G. 44 Regt. Ga.

Appears on

Hospital Muster Roll

of General Hospital,  
at Liberty, Va.,  
for May & June, 1863.  
Not dated

Enlisted:  
When Sept. 27, 1862.  
Where Ga.  
By whom Capt. Madgard  
Period 3 yrs.

Attached to Hospital:  
When, 186 .  
How employed

Last paid:  
By whom Capt. Key  
To what time 1 Apr. 30, 1863.

Present or absent Not stated

Remarks:

Book mark:

T. Bay  
Copyist.

(CONFEDERATE.)

T. J. Pope  
Priv. Co. G. 44 Ga. Regt

Appears on a  
RECEIPT ROLL

for clothing,  
for 2 Gr., 1864.

Date of issue Apr 30, 1864.

Signature

Remarks:

Roll No.

Barger  
Copyist.

(Confederate.)

P 44 Ga.

Thomas J. Pope  
Priv. Co. G., 44 Reg't Georgia Infantry.

Appears on  
Company Muster Roll  
of the organization named above,  
for Dated Apr 1, 1864.

Enlisted:  
When Sept 30, 1862.  
Where Camp Randolph  
By whom Maj. Dunwoody  
Period 3 yrs or more

Last paid:  
By whom Wm. J. Kiang  
To what time Dec 31, 1863.

Present or absent Present

Remarks:

Book mark:

G. E. N. J.  
Copyist.

Ezell

United Daughters of the Confederacy  
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP  
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK INK)

Shirley Nell Hanberry Davenport DIVISION Mississippi  
TYPE NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE  
Original Application for Membership? No CITY Hattiesburg  
Supplemental Application? yes If yes, COUNTY Forrest  
Date of Original Membership Registration: 15 January 1976  
Nathan Bedford Forrest #422  
NAME OF CHAPTER GENERAL NO.

I, the undersigned, would respectfully petition to become a member of the UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY, and if accepted, do hereby promise a strict compliance with the laws and usages of this organization.

(Miss or Mrs)  
(First Name) (Middle or Maiden Name) (Last Name)  
Single ☒ Divorced ☐ Widowed ☐  
Wife ☒ Philip Ray Davenport Sr.  
(Husband's Name in full - first, middle, last)

Residence 2030 Miller Lane  
Number Street  
Bay St. Louis, MS. 39520-8952 (601) 467-9033  
City State Zip Code Telephone Number

The Confederate Patriot through whom I claim membership, and who adhered to the cause of the Confederate States of America was my Great Grandfather whose name was Johnathan Ezell of Greene Co. MS.  
(give place of Patriot's residence)

My Lineal } Confederate Ancestor, Belonged to Company A. 24<sup>th</sup> MS. Regiment  
Collateral } Inf. C.S.A. (RMCS) Vols.  
(circle one)

Infantry }  
Cavalry }  
Artillery }  
(circle one)  
From the State of Mississippi Date Enlisted: 4 July 1861 Place: Greene Co. MS.  
and he was killed, paroled, discharged, died, released on oath on furloughed  
8 March 1865 at Jackson Hospital, Richmond, Virginia  
(date) (place)

Permission is given for others to use information from this application: Yes ☒ No ☐

Legal Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Use black ink only)

As chapter officers, the undersigned have examined the completed application of the above applicant and hereby approve same for membership in the UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter President (Signature Required) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Registrar (Signature Required) \_\_\_\_\_

We the undersigned members of said chapter, do hereby endorse the applicant who is personally known.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants must fill in all blanks and sign with **black ink**. ARTICLE IV, Section 4: All three applications, whether original or photocopies, shall bear original signatures and original Notary's Embossed seal or Notary's rubber stamp. Business office copy shall be original.



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FILL IN LINEAGE UP TO AND INCLUDING CONFEDERATE ANCESTOR OR RELATIVE (and his wife) ONLY

Lineage Instructions:

Name - Write in full, no initials. Use **black ink** or **type**  
Dates - In full if possible. (Write dates as: 12 Sep 1848)  
Where - Town or County and State

Indicate if living and where.

1. Shirley Nell Hanberry was born on the 24 day of Dec. 1922  
Town Jacksonville County Duval State Florida Country U.S.A.  
Married to Philip Ray Davenport Sr. date 31 March 1948 where Hattiesburg, MS.  
born 21 June 1925 where Hattiesburg, MS. died        where       

Homer Jesse Hanberry born 27 Aug 1892 where Wallace, Ala.  
and his wife died 15 July 1952 where Bogalusa, La.  
Bertha Adeline Steelman born 26 Feb. 1902 where Hattiesburg, MS.  
maiden name died 11 May 1958 where Hattiesburg, MS.  
Proof: Bible Records, Marriage and Married 13 July 1921 where Franklin, La.  
Death Cert.

2. My father was the son of brother  
mother daughter  
Allen Benjamin Steelman born 15 July 1858 where Jones Co. MS.  
and his wife died Disappeared 1906 where Forrest Co. MS.  
Sarah Ellen Ezell born 9 Jan. 1867 where State Line, MS.  
maiden name died 3 Oct. 1946 where Hattiesburg, MS.  
Proof: Bible records, Marriage and Married 8 Jan. 1885 where Jones Co. MS.  
Death Cert. Census Records MS. 1860

3. The said Sarah Ellen Ezell was the son of brother  
daughter  
Johnathan Ezell born 31 July 1845 where De Fuirick Spring, Ala.  
and his wife died 16 Dec. 1898 where Forrest Co. MS.  
Martha Ellen Pope born 28 Jan. 1845 where Bladen Springs, Ala.  
maiden name died 14 Aug. 1924 where Pascagoula, MS.  
Proof: Service Rec. Application for Married 1 Sept. 1865 where Wyanboro, MS.  
Pension Forms 4+6, MS. Census

4. The said        was the son of brother  
daughter  
       born        where         
and his wife died        where         
       born        where         
maiden name died        where         
Proof:        Married        where       

5. The said        was the son of brother  
daughter  
       born        where         
and his wife died        where         
       born        where         
maiden name died        where         
Proof:        Married        where       

6. The said        was the son of brother  
daughter  
       born        where         
and his wife died        where         
       born        where         
maiden name died        where         
Proof:        Married        where       

7. The said        was the son of brother  
daughter  
       born        where         
and his wife died        where         
       born        where         
maiden name died        where         
Proof:        Married        where

HISTORICAL PROOF

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- (1) Source of Historical Proof - Enclose Proof
- (2) Copy Official War Record - word for word - in this space, including date & place of enlistment, last date of service available, status and National Archive Micro-copy No. and Roll No., if known.
- (3) Do not paste or staple material to this application form.

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Marriage Lic. Birth and Death Certs. Bible Records, MS.  
Jones Co. Census Records 1860, 1870, + 1880, Pension  
Application from 4 + 6, Confederate Records.  
Served under Capt. Henry Roberts Co. 24 Reg't MS. Vols  
642 Copyist Roll # 1004, 635, 639  
Captured 24 Nov. 1863 Chattanooga, Tenn.  
at Rock Island, Ill. 25 Feb. 1865 - for exchange  
Roll 118, Confederate Arch. Ch. 6 File # 186  
pg. (looks like 226)

Type name of President General and Division President or President of Chapter (where no Division)

\_\_\_\_\_  
President General

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Division or President of  
Chapter (where no Division)



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10. The said \_\_\_\_\_ was the child of  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ and his (first or ) wife  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ married on \_\_\_\_\_

REFERENCES FOR LINEAGE

Give below Authorities, published or unpublished, covering all names, dates, places and connections between generations in this line from the grandparents through the generation of this Revolutionary ancestor. Send one certified, attested copy or photocopy of each piece of unpublished data. Cite published

Otis Burl Steelman born 1-10-1897 at Forrest Co. Miss.  
died at Hattiesburg, Miss. on 2-11-1952 and his (first or ) wife  
Annie Mae Donegan born 7-31-1907 at Forrest Co. Miss.  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ married on 12-23-1924

2. The said Otis Burl Steelman was the child of  
Allen Benjamin Steelman born 7-15-1858 at Jones Co. Miss.  
died at disappeared ca. 1908 in Forrest Co. Miss. on \_\_\_\_\_ and his (first or ) wife  
Sarah Ellen Ezell born 1-9-1867 at Sta Fe Line, Miss.  
died at Hattiesburg, Miss. on 10-3-1946 married on 1-8-1885 Jones Co. Miss.

3. The said Sarah Ellen Ezell was the child of  
Jonathan Ezell born 8-31-1835 or at De Fuirick Springs, Fla.  
died at Forrest Co. Miss. on 12-16-1892 (1898) and his (first or ) wife  
Martha Ellen Pope born 1-28-1845 at Bladen Springs, Fla.  
died at Pascagoula, Miss. on 8-14-1924 married on 9-1-1865

4. The said Jonathan Ezell was the child of  
John Ezell born ca 1800 at Ga.  
died at Miss. Leming Greene Co on abt 1880 and his (first or ) wife  
Nancy born ca. 1820 at S.C.  
died at Miss. Leming Greene Co on abt 1870 married on c. 1835

✓ 5. The said John Ezell was the child of  
John Ezell born 2-10-1742 at Surry Co. Va.  
died at Wake County, N.C. on ca 1900 and his (first or ) wife  
Asenath born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on may 1808 married on \_\_\_\_\_

6. The said \_\_\_\_\_ was the child of  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ and his (first or ) wife  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ married on \_\_\_\_\_

7. The said \_\_\_\_\_ was the child of  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ and his (first or ) wife  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ married on \_\_\_\_\_

8. The said \_\_\_\_\_ was the child of  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ and his (first or ) wife  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ married on \_\_\_\_\_

9. The said \_\_\_\_\_ was the child of  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ and his (first or ) wife  
\_\_\_\_\_ born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
died at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ married on \_\_\_\_\_

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Ezell, Abt J.  
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W 44 Mississippi  
(COLOR) (AGE) (BIRTHPLACE)  
Franklin (COUNTY)

(CITY) (STREET) (HOUSE NO.)

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
Ezell, Lodia	w	40	Mississippi	
✓ Marel	S	14	Mississippi	
✓ Albert	S	11	Mississippi	
✓ Rufus	S	10	Mississippi	
✓ Ray	S	8	Mississippi	

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(HEAD OF FAMILY—CONTINUED)

STATE Mississippi

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY—CONTINUED

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
Ezell, Archie	S	5	Mississippi	
✓ Paul	S	3 1/2	Mississippi	
✓ Bluford	S	9 1/2	Mississippi	

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42 (AGE) Mississippi (BIRTHPLACE)

Jackson (COUNTY)

Pascagoula (CITY) Kerr (STREET)

(HOUSE NO.)

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
Ezell, Augusta	W	35	Mississippi	
Ezell, Ora	D	13	Mississippi	
Ezell, Vertie	S	14	Mississippi	
Ezell, Harold	S	8	Mississippi	
Ezell, Vivian	D	6	Mississippi	

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STATE Mississippi

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY—CONTINUED

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
Ezell, Lonsla	D	3	Mississippi	
Ezell, Bernon	S	2	Mississippi	

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Jate (COUNTY)

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Franklin  
(CITY)

(STREET)

(HOUSE NO.)

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATION- SHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZEN- SHIP
Ezell, Addie	W	25	Mississippi	
✓ William	S	12	Mississippi	
✓ Ada	D	8	Mississippi	
✓ Johnnie	S	6	Mississippi	
✓ Cida	D	2 1/2	Mississippi	

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Edgerton (CITY) (STREET) (HOUSE NO.)

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
Ezell, Mary	W	31	Mississippi	
Ezell, Eliza	D	10	Mississippi	
- Moses	S	9	Mississippi	
- Della	D	7	Mississippi	
- Viola	S	4 1/2	Mississippi	

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(HEAD OF FAMILY-CONTINUED)

STATE Mississippi

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY-CONTINUED

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
Ezell, Mary	D	3 1/2	Mississippi	
Ezell, Mary M.	D	6 1/2	Mississippi	



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Sixth Ave (CITY)  
434 (HOUSE NO.)

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATION- SHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZEN- SHIP
Ezell, Curtis	S	27	Mississippi	
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OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATION- SHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZEN- SHIP
Ezell, Lonna	W	40	Mississippi	
Olla	D	10	Mississippi	
Clara	D	8	Mississippi	

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Franklin  
(COUNTY)

(CITY) (STREET) (HOUSE NO.)

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
<u>Ezell, Jessie</u>	<u>w</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	
<u>Leona</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3 1/2</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	
<u>Ella</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	

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(COLOR) (AGE) (BIRTHPLACE)

Greene  
(COUNTY)

(CITY) (STREET) (HOUSE NO.)

OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
<u>Ezell, Sarah</u>	<u>w</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	



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OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
<i>Ezell, Lula</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>49</i>	<i>Tennessee</i>	
<i>Albert</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>Mississippi</i>	
<i>Micie</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Mississippi</i>	
<i>Elzonia</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>Mississippi</i>	

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OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

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OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP
<u>Ezell, Fannie</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	
<u>Eula May</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>Mississippi</u>	

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16 June 1948

Mrs. Grady Ross

2138 Sherwood Avenue Charlotte, North Carolina 28207

Dear Mr. Strickland

Not keeping carbon copies of letters, I  
don't remember what I wrote you on  
May 19<sup>th</sup>, in answer to your letter of May  
13<sup>th</sup>.

If you are descended from Miel E. Ezell,  
you are - or have - the enclosed background  
of Ezell, Rivers, Fooks, and Hoo - From the  
Wrightons, James Fook, you would descend  
to his son, William Fook, to William's daughter,  
Elizabeth, who married Michael Ezell - He  
was the son of the migrant, Timothy  
Ezell and on down to your generation  
of Ezells.

I have a few books left and,  
if you are from these Ezells, I am  
sure you would find it a book of value.  
Just wanted to give you this addi-  
tional information - Sincerely yours  
With best wishes, Rathi Gillis Ross



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2138 Sherwood Avenue  
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Your Inheritance will be off the press by Thanksgiving. It includes the families of Tooke, Rives, Harwell and Pepper of Virginia; the Ropers of Halifax County, North Carolina; Joshua Jehu Scott of Virginia and Raleigh, North Carolina, a silversmith. It also includes the Ezells, Wilsons, and Rivers of Virginia, who migrated to Warren and Halifax Counties, North Carolina, thence to Clarke and Monroe Counties, Alabama.

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The first ten chapters are genealogical, each leading to Joyce Hoo, who married John Toke.

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For those not descended from James Tooke, find your antecedents on the chart and follow that back to where they started. This will apply to some Wilson, Rivers, Harwell, and Pepper families.

19 May 1978-

Mrs. Grady Ross

2138 Sherwood Avenue Charlotte, North Carolina 28207

Dear Mr. Strickland,

How nice to hear from one of my cousins, though we are far removed. I claim Kin with all.

My book - Your Inheritance - is just what you want - your Ezell line -- from the immigrant - is: <sup>1</sup>Michael Timothy, <sup>2</sup>Michael, <sup>3</sup>William, <sup>4</sup>William Jr., <sup>5</sup>Miel, <sup>6</sup>William F. and <sup>7</sup>Miel Sampson Ezell - (1820-1900) Miel S. was twice married - 1<sup>st</sup> to Sarah Ann Strickland and 2<sup>nd</sup> to Lavinia Rogers. Two children by either of the wives - Am sorry that I cannot help you with your Strickland research.

I do not know who has the Miel S. Ezell diary - Am sorry as it would have meant so much to me when I wrote Vol. I of Your Inheritance.

If you are -- or have -- Ezell background, you would be a descendant of James Fook who came to Jamestown in 1621 - His lineage in England goes back to Joyce Hor who married John Fook. Through the Hor lineage - there is Royal and \*Baronial ancestry - The first ten chapters of my book are purely genealogical in Joyce Hor -- each leading to her marriage

\* We descend from Jane Barrow who fought King John at Runnymede in 1215 -



with John Forke - The rest is narrative -

Wm J. Ezell's (1790-1839) wife was Lucy  
Wilcox (1794-1839). She was one of Joshua  
Wilcox's daughters -

My book is thoroughly documented and  
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why - The cost of putting the book together  
was enormous - I only want to get enough  
to pay for the printer - The other was sheer  
joy and my hobby - If you are descended  
from the Ezells and Wilcoxes - you will love  
the book - If you are only interested in  
Stricklands - am so sorry - but I have nothing  
on her - This first book is about my maternal  
grandmother's families - Vol. II is about her  
husbands' families and those of my father -

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Sincerely yours

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April 6, 1981

Mrs. Ben Strickland  
72 Simpson Lane  
Milton, Fl. 32570

Dear Mrs. Strickland,

I was looking through back copies of the family puzzler and I noticed you had a query about a Sarah Ann Strickland who married Miles S. Ezell 5-8-1844 in Clarke County, Alabama. My great grandmother, Missouri Ezell was born 19 Nov 1843 in Clarke County. I don't know anything about her family and wonder if you have any information about the Ezell family which might help me?

I received a letter today from Mrs. Brady Ross who has written a book about the Ezell family. She mentioned that

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married first Sarah Ann Strickland and second Lavinia Rogers. Mrs. Ross says there were no children by either marriage. She might have more information about this couple. Her address is 2138 Sherwood Ave., Charlotte, N.C., 28207.

Thank you for any information you can give me about the Ezell family.

Sincerely  
Sharon McBride

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TO: SANDRA VANCE (DBFF07A)  
FROM: PATRICIA EZELL (GXSK02A)  
SUBJECT: EZELL, EZELLE, EZEL

Sandra.

According to Christine Sheldon's book, THE EZELL FAMILY IN AMERICA, William Ezell and his 1st wife, Eudora LaMotte had a son: Abel, b 7 Dec 1780, Brunswick, VA. Abel married Sarah Palmer abt 1802-3, Union Dist, SC (She was born 15 Oct 1786, Union Dist, SC; & descended from Rev. War soldier, John Palmer). Of Abel & Sarah's 12 children, 1 was Abel, Jr. b. abt 1831, Giles Co., TN who married Julia A. Perkins (born VA - age 27 in 1860 census). Abel Jr. & Julia were married 8 Sept 1853, Gilles, Co., TX by Wm. Levesque, MG. They had still a 3rd: Abel C. Ezell b, abt 1855, age 5 in 1860 census).

Abel and Julia's youngest child was: John H., Ezell, b. abt 1857 (age 3 in 1860 census). One of their other sons was William Seit Ezell, b. 28 Dec 1820, Union Dist., SC.

If I remember some of your earlier notes, you were speculating that the names of both William and John were closely associated with the family. Since you seem to be having trouble finding the family on the 1860 census, you might try Giles Co., TN. It's not inconceivable that the family would subsequently move to MS in 1870.

That's wonderful news about finding the Kemper Co., census, finding Julia on the census and seeing pictures of Julia. How exciting!

There's also a Caroline Frances Ezell, dgt of Timothy Ezell and his wife, Elizabeth Buchanan, who was born on 22 Jun 1816, Pulaski, Tn and who died in Aug 1893 and buried in Tupelo Cemetery, Tupelo, MS. She m. George Washington Bardner on 18 Oct 1841, Giles Co., TN but who is also buried in Tupelo, MS.

I mentioned Caroline Ezell's father was Timothy Ezell - he was the 3rd son of William Ezell and Eudora LaMotte - he was born 10 Mar 1775, Mecklenburg, Co., VA. If you remember the 1st Abel was also the son of Wm. Ezell & Eudora LaMotte; therefore Timothy and Abel were brothers.

Any chance the Caroline in the 1870 census, living with Abel is the same Caroline, dgt of Timothy...or could it be the family name carried down?

Pat

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Dear Mrs. Davenport:

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in the National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D. C.  
20408, which concerns the individual mentioned in your inquiry. We  
suggest that you write that agency.

Sincerely yours,

*Louis H. Manarin*  
Louis H. Manarin  
State Archivist

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### **Ezell birth**

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ezell have announced the birth of their daughter, Christine Elise, on Oct. 15, 1990, at Ocean Springs Hospital weighing seven pounds, 14½ ounces. The new arrival was welcomed home by Catherine Elizabeth, 6, and William Milton, 4.

Their mother is the former Elizabeth Tait.

The grandparents are Jerry and Erline Tait of Vancleave and Milton and Shirley Ezell of Grand Bay, Ala.

The great-grandparents are Clyde and Clara Etta Cunningham of Vancleave, W.F. "Snook" and Lodis Tait of Loxley, Ala. and Lalie Mae Linder of Pascagoula.

The baby was delivered by Pat Jewell, Certified Nurse Midwife.





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On Sunday, June 21, 1981, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ezell of Ovett, Ms., were honored with an open house in recognition of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. The couple were married June 20, 1931. Approximately 150 friends and relatives greeted the couple and shared with them many happy remembrances from the past 50 years.

The couple's 4 sons and 11 grandchildren were all

present for the happy occasion. They are: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ezell, 2 daughters and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Shores and Earlene Ezell of Ovett, Mr. and Mrs. James Ezell, 6 children Terry, Brenda, Jon, Michelle Gordon and Chris of Livermore, California, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ezell, 2 sons, Larry and Michael of Marietta, Ohio and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ezell and daughter, Heather Rhea

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**EZELL**

**Charles Gavin Ezell**, 67, of Moss Point, Miss., died September 7, 2002, in Ocean Springs, Miss. He was born November 1, 1934, in Pascagoula, Miss., graduated from Pascagoula High School and attended the University of Southern Mississippi. He was

retired from Ingalls Shipbuilding as an electrician. Mr. Ezell was a member of Eastlawn Baptist Church, past President of IBEW Local 903, B.P.O.E. (Elks) Lodge 1120, coached Dixie Youth Baseball for over 15 years, and was Co-Founder of the Pascagoula Girls Softball League. During his service in the U.S. Army he was a medic with the 101st Airborne Division. Mr. Ezell was preceded in death by his parents, William Henry and Alma Chapman Ezell.

Survivors include his wife, Mary R. "Mickey" Ezell of Moss Point; sons, Maj. Barry Ezell of Virginia Beach, Va., Stephen Ezell and Shane (Maria) Ezell of Pascagoula, and Bill (Carol) Covington of Long Beach, Miss.; daughters, Liz (Mike) Conner of Tulsa, Okla. and Jill (Tommy) Thomas and Mia Free of Pascagoula; three sisters, Janet (Bill) Lovorn of Mobile, Ala., Glenvol (Jimmy) Dickerson of Big Point, Miss., and Judy (Doug) Ros of Pascagoula; and one brother, Joe (Annie Margaret) Ezell of Pascagoula. Grandchildren include Danny and Michael Ezell of Virginia Beach, Va., Matthew Chamberlain, Morgan and Weston Melancon, and James and Shawn Conner of Tulsa, Okla.,

Lindsey, Tyler and Ashleigh Thomas, Kelsey Ezell and Peyton Free of Pascagoula, and Ryan Covington of Long Beach, Miss.

Visitation was Monday, September 9, from 6 til 9 p.m. at Holder-Wells Funeral Home in Moss Point, Miss.

Funeral service will be Tuesday, September 10, at 10 a.m., from the funeral home chapel with the Rev. Bobby Lewis officiating.

Interment will be in Serene Memorial Gardens, Escatawpa, Miss.

Pallbearers will be Danny Ezell, Mark Ros, Glen Dickerson, Bruce Conerly, Bill Covington and Joe Lovorn.

Arrangements by Holder-Wells Funeral Home, Moss Point, Miss.



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**MOBILE COUNTY**

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**H. Elmer Ezell**

H. Elmer Ezell, a former member of the Mobile City Planning Commission, died Saturday at his Mobile residence. He was 78.

Ezell was retired from Structural Steel Services of Meridian, Miss. Active in many civic and community projects in Mobile, he was a member of First Baptist Church, where he taught Sunday School for 40 years.

Ezell, who also was a Master Mason, was a native of Pascagoula, Miss.

Survivors include his wife, Beth B. Ezell of Mobile; two daughters, Susan E. Patin of Daphne and Libby E. Wright of Birmingham; a son, N. Bailey Ezell of Lucedale, Miss.; three sisters, La Nola Hedman of Hurlay, Miss., Vivian Frazier of Fort Worth, Texas, and Betty Hedman of Marietta, Ga.; nine grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Services are set for 2 p.m. Tuesday at Pine Crest Funeral Home, with visitation one hour before. Burial will be at Pine Crest Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials be made to First Baptist Church of Mobile.

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*Archie W. Ezell*

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A.W. EZELL

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EZELL

#### **FRAZIER**

**Vivian Ezell Frazier**, passed away Oct. 18, 2001, in Fort Worth, Texas. She was born in Richton, Miss., on Aug. 23, 1913. She was preceded in death by her parents, A. W. Ezell and Augusta Tims Ezell; brothers, V. L. (Hix) Ezell, H. C. (Shorty) Ezell, James Bernon Ezell, Elmer Ezell, A. W. Ezell; sister Ora Ezell Nelson.

Mrs. Frazier is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Gayla and Al Redlow of Fort

Worth, Texas; a son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Fran Greenough of Mobile, Ala.; seven granddaughters; seven great grandsons; and five great granddaughters; sisters, Lanola Ezell Hedman, Harleston Community and Betty Ezell Hedman, Marietta, Ga.

Mrs. Frazier was often recognized for her outstanding teaching. She was a lifetime member of Delta Kappa Gamma teachers' sorority, of which she was a local and state president. She was a former teacher in the Pascagoula School System, having taught at South Elementary School and retired from the St. Petersburg, Fla. school system. Mrs. Frazier was a committed Christian and lifelong member of the Southern Baptist denomination. She was an active church member who particularly loved the choir and Sunday School.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 17, at 11 a.m., from First Baptist Church in Pascagoula.

Interment will be in Machpelah Cemetery, Pascagoula.



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Obituary

**Mrs. Ora Ezell Nelson**

■ Mrs. Ora Ezell Nelson, 86, 850 Herrick Avenue, Pascagoula, died Friday, May 28, 1993, in Pascagoula.

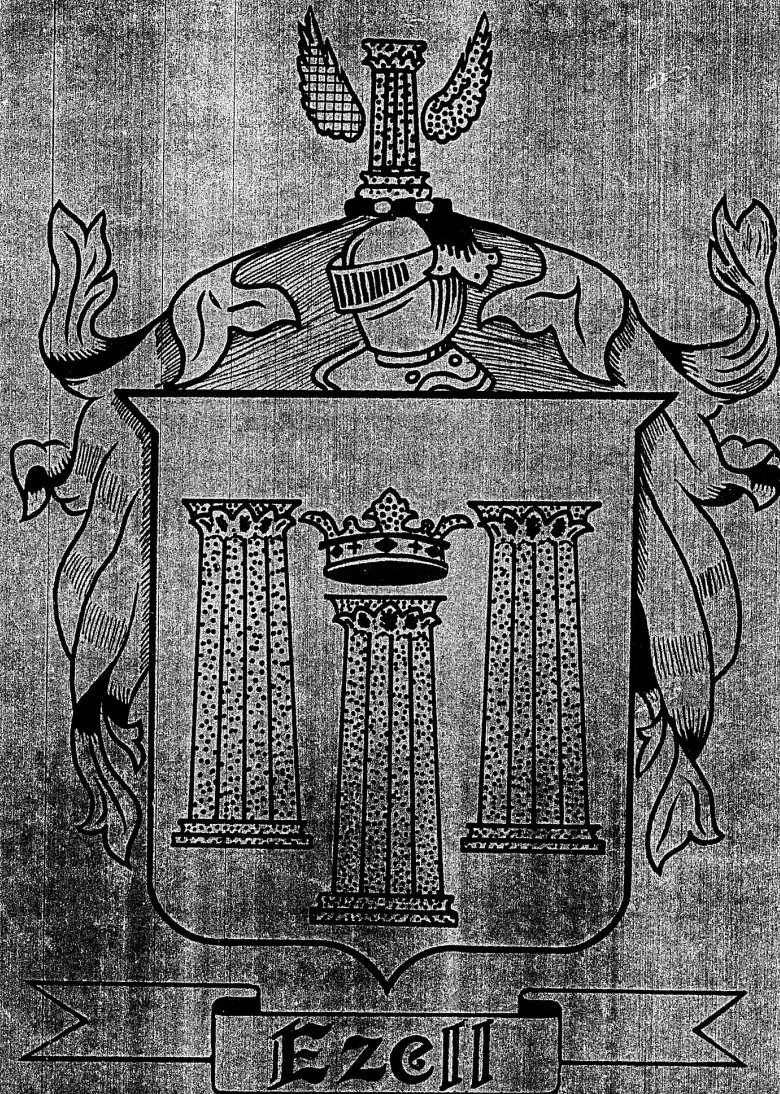
Mrs. Nelson was born in Forrest County. She was an elementary school teacher and principal for the Pascagoula School System. She was a member of the Pascagoula Women's Club, the first president of Retired Teachers Association of Pascagoula, and a member of the First Baptist Church of Pascagoula.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herbert E. "Hubby" Nelson Sr.

Survivors include a daughter, Jerrie Elizabeth Nelson Lutsch of Marion, Ala.; two sons, Hubby E. Nelson and William E. Nelson, both of Pascagoula; three sisters, Vivian Frazier of Fort Worth, Texas, Lenola Hedman of Hurley, and Betty Hedman of Pascagoula; a brother, Elmer Ezell of Mobile, Ala.; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be tonight from 6 until 9 at O'Bryant-O'Keefe Funeral Home in Pascagoula. Services will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home chapel, with burial in Machpelah Cemetery, Pascagoula.





Our Ezell heritage

# **Our Ezell Heritage**

**Descended**

**from**

**George Ezell**

**of**

**Old Colonial Surry, Virginia**

**1676 - 1976**

He who careth not from whence he came  
careth little whither he goeth.

Daniel Webster

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PREFACE

This book is a genealogy of my maternal ancestry, the Ezells from the immigrant George Ezell, of Colonial Surry, Virginia.

It is my hope that the ensuing generations will look back to their forebears with pride and gratitude of the past. If each generation does not improve over the preceding generation and find a better way of life, that generation is not progressing, it is slipping backward, because we do not stand still.

The kind of inheritance we have received cannot be bought or sold, it cannot be earned, it cannot be traded or exchanged, and it cannot be wished for. It is already ours — given to us by reason of birth, with all its qualities, duties, obligations, abilities and responsibilities.

You have an obligation to your forebears and a responsibility to your progeny. "You are the heir of the past and the hope of the future." We may feel that the value of this sort of work may be small and little appreciated by the present generation, but its value will grow and to those of our descendants who become interested in family history, say a hundred years from now, this study will be like buried treasure.

John Ezell settled in what is now Choctaw County, Alabama. He had seven children, but only four of them had families that can be traced. For the benefit of those who will only be interested in their own family, there is a chapter on each of John's children.

There was more information available about some of John's descendants than about others, so I have used what I could obtain.

The generations are numbered so they can be easily distinguished. John's grandchildren are numbered with a Roman Numeral, his great-grand children are represented by a capital letter. The great-great grandchildren with a little letter, the great-great-great grand children with a numeral, and the great-great-great-great grand children with a little letter in ( ).

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**Dedicated to  
WILLIAM LESLIE EZELL**

Leslie is a minister of the Southern Baptist Church. He was discharged from the Navy in August 1919, after World War I. He lived in Oklahoma from 1920-22, working in the wheat fields. While there he was converted and attended a Preparatory School one semester at the Baptist University of Oklahoma.

There he found Maurine and they were married. They returned to Ward, Sumter County, Alabama in August 1922, where he entered high school and drove a school wagon from Cedar Grove. In 1923 he drove the first school bus out of Coatopa, Sumter County, Alabama and entered Livingston State Normal School (now Livingston University). He graduated in 1926. Leslie was ordained as a minister at Shorts Church in Sumter County, Alabama, March 24, 1924.

Dr. G. W. Brock, president of Livingston SNS, made a plea before the Baptist Association for help for Leslie to attend Howard College (now Samford University), in Birmingham, Alabama. They received three hundred dollars in cash and one thousand dollars in pledges from the churches of the Association. Leslie says, "That was one of the happiest hours of my life when I knew I could go to college."

While at Howard College in 1928 he served the Graymont Avenue Baptist Church, as pastor. From there he went to Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, and preached at Thrift Church.

When Leslie returned to Alabama he taught school and served the Siloam and York Baptist churches in Sumter County and Eureka at Cromwell, Choctaw County, for afternoon services. In Washington County, Alabama he pastored churches in Millry, Cullomburg, Frankville, Three Forks, Tibbie, Yorbo and Isney. His pastorates while living at Why Not, Lauderdale County, Mississippi, were Bethany, Long Creek, Concord and Liberty.

In 1952 he returned to Siloam for his last pastorate before retiring in 1960. He now preaches once a month at Kewanee, Mississippi.

Leslie says, "Only God knows how many people have been converted under my preaching. I just wish I had made a record of the ones whom I have baptized, married and buried."

The Siloam Church has placed a plaque in the vestibule of the church in recognition of Leslie's Fiftieth Year in the ministry and twenty years as Pastor there. Shorts Church presented him a plaque for his fiftieth ordination anniversary.

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Mrs. Norma Ezell Powers

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## Chapter 1

### A Glance At The Ezell Family

This is an old family. The French records derive the name from d'Ussel of Limousin, Marche and Anvergne. The translation of a French sentence in Mr. Amasa B. Windham's "The Ezell Family," which is in the Department of Archives and History in Montgomery, Alabama is: "The house (family) of Ussel, springs from the duchy of Ventadour, in Limousin which is situated under the Lordship of Ussel, near the town of Gannet, proves its connection with William of Ussel, (son of Ebles III of Ventadour and Lady (of) Bourbon), pounder of the Abbey of Bonnaygues or Bonaygue in 1157. Established in Marche since 1522."

The Catholic Church persecuted the Hugenots of France for years during the 1500s and 1600s. After 1590 many fled to England and from there to America and other countries. It is probable that it was during this persecution that the Ussels left France, and Timothy and his two brothers, George and Michael made their ways to Virginia with the Hugenots who came to America.

There is a legend in all branches of the Ezell family that three brothers came to America from France. Some say their arrival was with the Frenchman, General Lafayette, who fought for the colonies during the Revolutionary War. No record of an Ezell is found in the list of troops with the General. (Amasa B. Windham "The Ezell Family"). However the three brothers were of French descent.

The Ezell name has undergone many changes in spelling, Isriell, Isold, Iseld, Essell, Ezelle, Ezell and others.

Surry County, Virginia is the place where the first records of the Ezell family are found, along with that of several families, the Abords, Bradertons, Stephens and Weeks, who probably came to America at the same time or settled close together. The early wills, tithes and court records show a connection between these four families. But the relationship, if there was one, has not been identified. ("Your Inheritance" Mrs. Robbie Lee Gillis Ross Part III Ch. 1, p. 33).

The name was known in America as early as the middle of the seventeenth century, more than a hundred years before the Revolution. Since many of these names on the records of Surry County, Virginia, lived in the same counties of the family residence, the weight of evidence appears to be against the Lafayette legend.

Timothy Ezell (Issal, Issel, Essell) was born in England. He was in

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Virginia on January 4, 1652 (Surry Records, 1652-1684, p. 6, by Elizabeth Davis.)

"John Jennings by virtue of Timothy Issell, doe give . . . power for me . . . for land belonging to me . . .," in which he assigned 211 acres."

It seems logical to assume that Timothy had arrived in Surry County, Virginia previous to that date, and had been in the country long enough to have established himself as an honorable and dependent inhabitant and acquired land. (J. B. Boddie, "Historical Southern Families" Vol. XIV, p. 166.)

Timothy apparently became dissatisfied and went back to England after the 211 acre land transaction. He returned to Virginia about 1656, to remain, being one of eleven persons brought to Surry County, Virginia by Captain Canfield (Caufield) for which the Captain received 550 acres of land on January 24, 1656 (Pat. Bk. 4, p. 52). He was awarded 50 acres for each person brought by him to the colonies.

In the 1668 list of tithables of Surry County, Timothy is the only man named Ezell. His wife was Mary . . . Fifteen years later, in the census of 1683 Timothy Sr., Timothy Jr., Michael, and George Ezell are registered. In 1687 (Va. Col., Militia, Crozier pp. 101-102), a Timothy and a Michael Ezell are found as members of the horse militia for Surry County. This Timothy probably was Timothy Jr., as Timothy Sr., was exempted from tax levies on June 7, 1682, "being very poor and aged," (Surry County, Va., Order Bk. Vol. 1, p. 381). He died prior to 1696, and seems to have died intestate as no will has been found. However, the inventory of his estate is found in Surry County. (Wills and Deeds, Bk. 5, part 1, p. 126). On March 4, 1696 Mary Essell, relict of Timothy, dec'd., appeared in Court and was appointed administratrix of the estate of Timothy Essell, dec'd. The inventory was presented to the Court and accepted.

Timothy Ezell's sons were Timothy, Jr., and Michael, as verified by the wills of Stephen Weeks and Amaro Abords, friends of the Ezells who settled nearby.

" . . . I give and bequeath unto Timothy Isold, the son of Timothy Isold, one sow shoate, and to Michael Isold his brother, one sow shoate." (Your Inheritance" by Mrs. Robbie Lee Willis Ross, Part III, Ch. 1, pp. 34-35. Stephen Weeks.)

" . . . I give and bequeath to Timothy Isriell a sow and to Michael Isriell I give and bequeath a sow, and Timothy Isriell, Sear, I make my hole and sole Ezeutor of goods and chattels, Signed Amoro Abords, His Mark"

Little is known of Michael Ezell, one of the three brothers. He is the one who was a member of the horse militia in Surry County in 1687. He died in 1718, and his will is on record dated December 18, 1717. In it he mentions his children, William and Elizabeth. (Surry County, Va. Deed and Will Bk., No. 7, part 1, p. 83).

No Ezell history would be complete without including the other

brother, George, of Colonial Surry. Especially for the members of the Ezell family for whom this book is written, as he is the progenitor of this line.

Much speculation has been made by historians as to the relationship of Timothy, the immigrant, and George. Some think he is the son of Timothy, Sr., but the dates attest that he was most likely to have been a younger brother. There is no certain date given for his entry into this country. He was listed as being in the Surry County militia in 1687. He was born in 1648, most likely in England. He married Elizabeth Clarke and their children are: George b. ca. 1674; M: Rebecca, b. ca. 1678; Mary b. ca. 1681; Lucy b. ca. 1684; Sarah, b. ca. 1687; Timothy, b. ca. 1689. George was on Surry County roll as owner of 150 acres of land. ("Va. Magazine of History, 1704," Vol. 29, p. 21).

George devised his will in Surry County, December 24, 1692 and it was proved April 11, 1693. An abstract of the will is:

"to my eldest son, George, my land leased to me by Adam Smith, lying and being in Charles City, Co., near the head of upper Chipoakes Creek, and houses, cows, etc. when he is 21 years old.

"To eldest daughter Elizabeth, bed, blankets, etc., to be given to her at 16 years or married.

"To daughter Mary, pewter dishes, etc., when 16 years old or married.

"To daughter Lucy, cows, horses, etc., when 16 years old or married.

"To daughter Sarah, the same.

To son, Timothy, furniture, beds, etc., when he is 16 years old.

Wife, Elizabeth, executor."

The fact that the children were so young indicates that George Sr., was not a very old man, probably 42 years old at the time of his death. He seems to have been more prosperous or fortunate than Timothy and his sons, and according to the location of the land left to his son George, lived some distance from the others. ("Your Inheritance" by Mrs. Ross, part III, ch. 2, p. 37.)

Timothy Ezell, son of George Ezell, was born ca. 1689 in Virginia, and died August 15, 1760. He married ca. 1715 Mary . . . He lived in Sussex County, Virginia, which was made from Surry County. On April 8, 1754, he deeded to his beloved son Thomas, in the Parish of Albemarle "a parcel of land" ((Sussex County Deed Bk. A," p. 9). His will is on record dated 1759. In it he mentions his children: Thomas, b. ca. 1715, m. Anne . . . ; Timothy, b. ca. 1717, m. Anne . . . ; John, b. ca. 1721; Lydia, b. ca. 1724; Elizabeth, b. ca. 1728, m. John Gilbert; Mary, b. ca. 1732, m. William Rose; George, b. ca. 1738, m. Amey

Thomas Ezell, eldest son of Mary and Timothy was born ca. 1715, and died April 8, 1782. He married ca. 1740, Anne Rose, b. ca. 1719, the daughter of Richard Rose and his wife Anne. Thomas lived in Albemarle Parrish, Sussex County, Virginia. On September 8, 1755 he deeded land to one Thomas Battle (Sussex County Deed Bk. A, p. 116, Courthouse,



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Sussex, Va.) His will is on record and dated October 24, 1780. It was probated April 18, 1782 and his inventory, valued at 104 pounds, 2 shillings and 1 pence, was made April 27, 1782.

Their children were (from Albermarle Register, Sussex Co., Va.): John b. February 10, 1742, m. Jane, first. His second wife was Asenath —; Thomas, b. January 21, 1744, m. Phoebe —; Anne, b. January 29, 1746, m. William, b. February 21, 1749; Frederick, b. April 28, 1752; Balaam, b. October 7, 1756; Abel, b. September 20, 1758, m. Sarah Whitehorn.

Balaam Ezell, a Baptist minister, younger brother of John migrated in the early 1800s to Trigg County, Tennessee, and appears as a pensioner, aged 84 in 1840 in Trigg County. (Pension Records of Kentucky, "History of Kentucky" by Collins, Covington 1874, Vol. 1, p. 8.)

Some branches migrated to Texas. Descendants of the Michael line came to Clarke County, Alabama. (A. H. Ball, "History of Clarke County and Its Surrounds," p. 490.) Miel Ezell, Jr., was the County Superintendent of public schools prior to his death in 1877. His nephew, Miel S. Ezell succeeded his uncle as County Superintendent. Amas Columbus Ezell (1845-1930) was born in Tishimongo County, Mississippi. After service in the Confederate Army he settled in Pickens County, Alabama. Members of that family still live in Pickens County.

There were so many John Ezells it was hard to establish which John was Hartwell's father. Mr. J. B. Boddie ("Historical Southern Families, Vol. XIII, pp. 52-53) lists a John as the eldest son of Thomas and Anne Rose Ezell, who was born February 10, 1742, in Surry County, Virginia. He listed John's first wife as Jane, and his second wife as Asenath. The information on the Daughters of the American Revolution papers of Ethel Ezell Harwell Miller and of Norma Ezell Powers, listed Hartwell's father as John, whose wife was Asenath. That way the connecting John, (our John) was determined. He is listed in the 1790 census of Wake County, North Carolina, John Easel, 4 males over 16, 0 under 16, 4 females and 2 slaves.

His will was executed in Wake County in 1800 (Fred A. Olds, N. C. Wills, p. 304). His wife Asenath is mentioned and children, Lucy, Hartwell, Fred, John and Polly.

The following information is from Mrs. Christine W. Sheldon's book, "The Ezell Family in America," published in 1961, pp. 13, 27, 28, 29.

"In a deed to Thomas Newson it is stated that John Ezell, Jr., is the son of Thomas Ezell, Sr. This deed also states that the wife of John Ezell, Jr., is named Jane. Both John and Jane signed their names. On p. 42 of the Albermarle Parish Register there is found a list of the children born to Thomas and Anne Ezell. John is their first child and first son listed and gives the date of his birth.

"This same register, p. 43, lists three children as having been born to John Ezell, Jr., and his wife, Jane. Their first child was born in September 1763 which indicates they were married ca. 1762. There may have been

other children.

"From records found in Wake County, North Carolina, it seems logical to assume that Jane died and that John next married Asenath. The North Carolina will of John Ezell names his children Hartwell and Lucy Ezell, the two children listed as their children in the Albermarle Parish Register, p. 43. In addition to Hartwell and Lucy, the following are named also: Fred, John, Polly. The will also names Asenath Ezell as the wife of John Ezell.

"The Albermarle Parish Register gives the birthdate of Hartwell Ezell as December 28, 1764. This is the identical date recorded in the Old Bible of Hartwell Ezell which is now in the possession of his descendant, Lee C. Ezell of Lake Wales, Florida.

"According to the Albermarle Parish Register and the will of John Ezell in North Carolina, Wake County, records, John Ezell fathered six children.

ISSUE OF JOHN EZELL by his first wife, Jane,

I Phoebe Ezell born 15 Sept. 1763, Sussex Co., Va.

II Hartwell Ezell born 28 Dec. 1764, Sussex Co., Va.

III Lucy born 20 Apr. 1767 Sussex Co., Va.

by his second wife, Asenath

IV Fred

V John

VI Polly

#### Chapter 5 THE FOURTH GENERATION

"Hartwell Ezell (John Thomas, Timothy, George) the second child and first son of John Ezell, Jr., and his wife, Jane, was born 28 December 1764, Albermarle Parish, Sussex County, Virginia. His old family Bible, now in possession of his descendant, Lee C. Ezell, of Lake Wales, Florida, giving the date of his birth is the same date given in the Albermarle Parish Register, p. 42.

"Hartwell Ezell migrated from Virginia to South Carolina, thence to Georgia, where he first settled in Burke County. Then in 1793, he moved to Jasper County, Georgia, where he bought land and settled near Monticello. The land records of Jasper County, Jasper County Court House, Monticello, Georgia, verify this information. Hartwell Ezell was one of the earliest settlers and a leading citizen of Jasper County. He was a highly respected and much loved man. He married Sealey Lowrey ca. 1792 or early 1793. She was born 15 March 1767 and died 3 October 1814, Jasper County, Georgia. Hartwell and Sealey (Lowrey) Ezell had a son named Simeon. This seems to indicate that she was the daughter of Simeon Lowrey.

"Hartwell Ezell fought for liberty in the Revolutionary War. The Daughters of the American Revolution erected a monument at his grave. He died 17 November 1836 and is buried near Monticello, Jasper County, Georgia. Both he and his wife Sealey, are buried in the family cemetery located on his farm.

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"The earliest record of land purchased by Hartwell Ezell in Jasper County, Georgia is a deed from Levi Spain to Hartwell Ezell for 202½ acres for which Hartwell paid \$500.00. This was before the name of that part of the county was changed from Baldwin to Jasper County. The deed is dated 16 May 1809, recorded 9 July 1812 (Bk. 5, pp. 307-308). Office of Clerk of Superior Court, Jasper County. At the time this deed was made, both parties were residents of Burke County, Georgia.

"In 1827, while a resident of Jasper County, Hartwell Ezell was granted land as a Revolutionary Soldier. (Memoirs of Georgia, Vol. II, p. 726, and Georgia's Roster of the Revolution p. 351.)

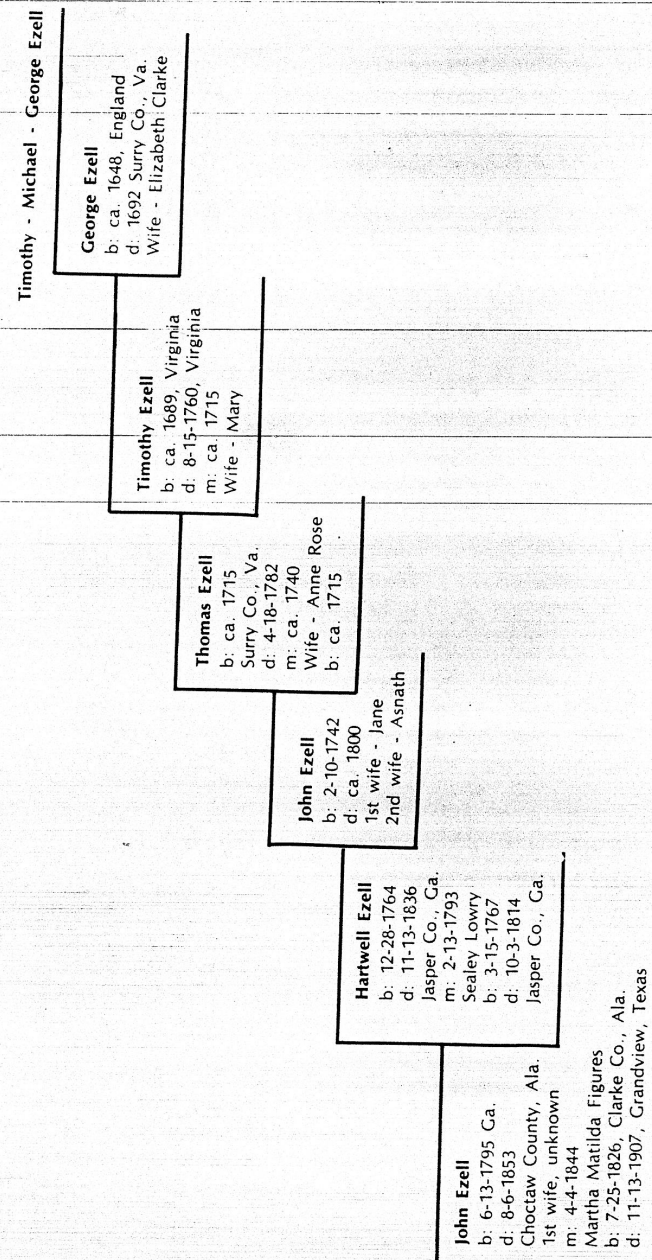
"Six generations of Hartwell Ezell's family have continued to live in Jasper County. Over the years, they have been active in religious life and in public affairs. At one time four of Hartwell's descendants were in public office in the Jasper County Court House, Monticello, Georgia. There have been at least six physicians, one evangelist, one lawyer, several teachers, and many businessmen among his descendants. During the War Between the States, four of his grandsons were fighting in the Confederate Army. In every war since, many of his descendants have been represented in the armed forces.

"ISSUE OF HARTWELL EZELL, 51, and his wife, Sealey Lowrey  
74, i Sarah Ezell b. 4 Dec. 1793, Jasper County, Georgia  
75, ii John b. 13 June 1795, Jasper County, Georgia  
76, iii Simeon S. b. 17 March 1797, Jasper County, Georgia  
77, iv Braxton R. b. 28 Dec. 1798, Jasper County, Georgia  
78, v Candace b. 27 Nov. 1801, Jasper County, Georgia  
79, vi Hartwell H. b. 19 Dec. 1806, Jasper County, Georgia"

I have been in communication with Mr. Lee C. Ezell of Lake Wales, Florida, and Mr. Marshall R. Elizer of Oxford, Georgia. Both are great-grandsons of Hartwell. Mr. Ezell's father was Hamilton Braxton, grandson of Braxton Rogers Ezell. Mr. Elizer's mother was Rosa Lee Ezell Elizer, a granddaughter of Braxton Rogers.

Mr. Ezell is connected with the E. B. Malone Company, who make Glamourfoam mattresses. He has the Hartwell Ezell Bible. He says although he lives in Florida he expects to be buried in the Ezell family cemetery in Jasper County, Georgia. The mattress company has factories in nine states.

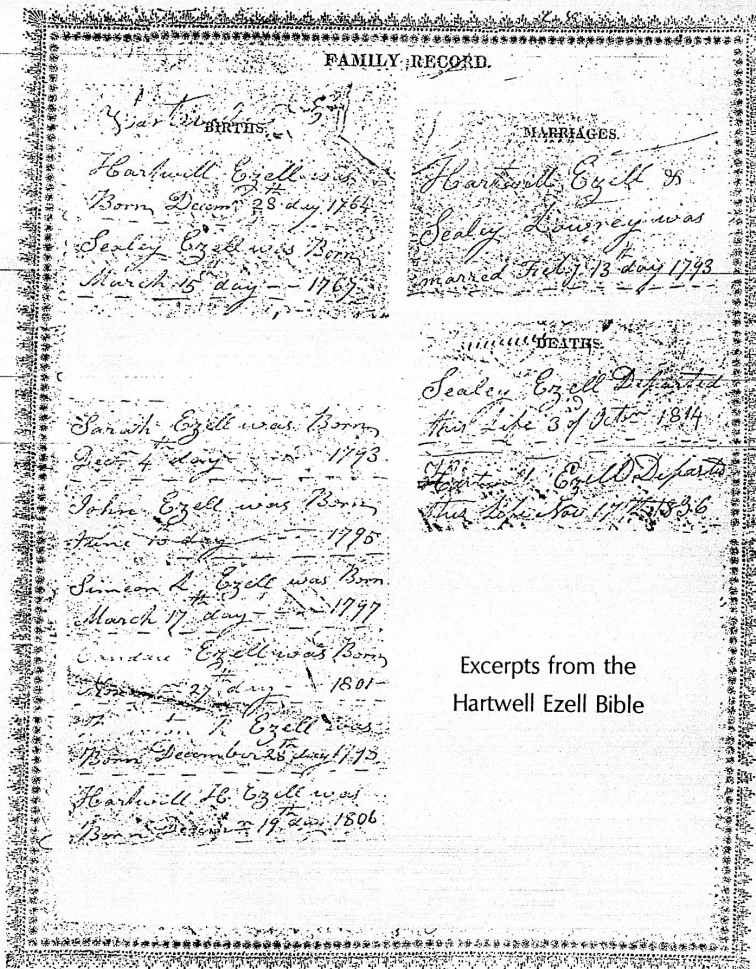
Mr. Elizer is Business Administrator of Oxford College, Oxford, Georgia.





## Chapter 2

### John & Martha Ezell



Excerpts from the  
Hartwell Ezell Bible

John Ezell, son of Hartwell and Sealey Lowrey Ezell, was born in Georgia, June 13, 1795. The records show he was in Autauga County, Alabama in 1829-30. On August 28, 1830 the Orphans Court minutes of Autauga County show him appointed as administrator of the estate of George Gower, deceased, February 23, 1829. He also signed deeds, etc., for friends.

§He moved to what was then Sumter County, Alabama, that part being placed in Choctaw County when it was formed from Sumter and Washington Counties on December 29, 1847.

The State Tract Book of Choctaw County lists the purchase of land from the United States by John Ezell as follows:

Township 15 N. Range 2 West

Section 11-W $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  October 23, 1835, Patent No. 9403

Section 14-SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  June 18, 1836, Patent No. 11,840

Section 22-E $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , December 3, 1836, Patent No. 12,688

Section 24-E $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , August 21, 1837, Patent No. 12,945.

The 1840 Sumter County, Alabama census lists John Ezell with:

1 Male, 10-15 — 1, 20-30 — 1, 40-50

2 Females, 10-15 — 1, 40-50

5 M. slaves under 10 — 6, 10-24

1 Female under 10 — 3, 10-24 — 2, 36-55.

It is certain that John was married twice, however we have no record of his first wife. There is a record of three children: Mary A. b. 1823, m. Mr. Underwood; William E. b. 1825; and Elizabeth b. 1827, m. Oren C. Kelsey, b. 5-18-1843.

In Clarke County, Alabama, there were three special localities where at different times salt has been made: the Lower Works, the Central Works, and the Upper Works. During the years of the War Between the States this saline region proved to be a great benefit to the Southern part of the Confederacy.

The salt sold at from two dollars and a half to seven dollars a bushel in gold: During the War it cost forty dollars a bushel in Confederate money. It was taken down the Tombigbee River and was conveyed by teams into Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia and elsewhere. Wells were bored to obtain the water. Salt water was found at a depth of one hundred feet. One well was nearly six hundred feet deep. In the swamp or bottom land salt water was reached at the depth of eight feet. Seven kettles of water would make

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one kettle of salt. In one year a half million bushels of salt was produced in Clarke County. (A.H. Ball, "History of Clarke Co.")

At one time planters would exchange a load of corn for a load of salt at the "works." Before the War, John would take his teams to Clarke County to get salt for his plantation. At Coffeeville, he met Martha Matilda Figures, a lady much younger than John. On April 4, 1844 they were married.

The Choctaw County, Alabama census of 1850 records:  
Ezell, John, age 50, planter, Real estate \$8,500.00, born, Ga.  
William E. age 25, dr., born, Ala. (son by first wife)  
Martha M. age 26, born, Ala.  
Charles T. 6  
Susan, 5  
Allis, 3  
John Coleman, 2  
Edwin, 4/12

An article about Desotenville, Choctaw County, Alabama, appearing in the Mobile Register notes that: "this settlement was apparently started by John Ezell who came from Jasper County, Georgia . . . Mrs. Maude Patrick, of Lisman, who was an Ezell recalls that her grandfather, John, was one of the first masters of the Desotenville Masonic Lodge No. 178, organized August 19, 1852."

John died August 6, 1853 and was buried in the Ezell family cemetery just off the south side of the Pelham to Edna road, about fifty yards from the blacktop in a field in front of the old J. M. Young home, commonly known as the Tymes place.

In 1969 three of John's great grandsons from Lisman, Alabama, Choctaw County, were cruising timber in the area and found the cemetery. It was overgrown with bushes and briars. John's headstone had fallen. They had it cleaned up and moved it, only the stone, to the Ezell plot in the Mt. Sterling, Choctaw County cemetery. The date of its removal was engraved on the stone.

John died a wealthy man, each of his children received several thousand dollars. After his death in 1853, the next Choctaw County census in 1860 lists Martha Matilda as the head of the house. At that time a division of the property had been made. The list is as follows:

Ezell, M. M. property value, \$4,480.00  
Charles, 15M  
Susan, 14F  
Alice, 12F  
Coleman, 11M  
Edwin, 10M  
Delia, 9F

Donia, 8 F

Cornelia Figures, 9 F., was also listed, a neice of Martha.

3,400

The census was usually recorded in the late summer or early fall. Then on December 26, 1860 Martha married Dr. Simeon Walton. They continued to live on the plantation. They had twin sons, b. 2-20, 1862, LeVert F., and Lloyd LeVert. LeVert F. died 6-25-1864 and is buried in the Ezell cemetery. Lloyd died 2-27-1883. Dr. Walton died 9-14-1880, he and Lloyd are buried with his first wife in Clear Creek Cemetery on Highway 17, Jackin, Choctaw County, Alabama.

John and Martin's children were:

Charles Thomas, b. 2-5-1845. (See Chapter 3)

Susan, b. 6, 1846. (See Chapter 4)

Alice, b. 8-12-1847. Alice married E. H. Ward, and died 7-9-1864. There is an E. A. Ward, born on that date, wife of E. H. Ward, buried in the Ezell family cemetery.

John Coleman, b. 3-2-1849 (See Chapter 5)

Edwin, b. 4-17-1850 (See Chapter 6)

Delia, b. 1-25-1851, d. 5-21-1864, buried in Ezell cemetery.

Donia, b. 1852, married William Walton, son of Dr. Simeon Walton, they had one child, Susan Lena, b. 7-29-1878, d. 10-6-1878, and was buried in the Ezell family cemetery. No other record of Donia and William.

Eva Walton, daughter of Dr. Walton and Martha was b. 9-29-1867, d. 10-1-1867, and is buried in the Ezell cemetery. There is a picture in the Charles Thomas Ezell Bible of a young lady. On the back is written "to Aunt Sue and Grandmaw, Jessie Walton, age 18, 1897." She must have been a daughter of Dr. Walton and his first wife and was a very small child at the time of her father's death. Have no other record of Jessie.

The 1870 census of Choctaw County shows the household of Simeon Walton.

Walton, Simeon 49 M., Dr., real property \$1200 Personal \$100, b. Ga.

Martha, 44 F.

William, 19 M.

Oliver, 17 M.

John, 13 M.

Loyd, 4 M.

Personal  
3,000  
3,300  
3,650  
3,600  
2,700  
3,600  
3,300

This William is the one who married Donia Ezell. Loyd is the living twin of Dr. Walton and Martha. There is no other record of an Oliver or John the age of these. They could have been sons of Dr. Walton, judging from the difference in their ages and that of Loyd.

I have heard my mother, Susie Ezell Williams tell of visiting her grandfather's home. She said that at different times there were two sets of Ezell children and two sets of Walton children living there, so they had made a stairway going up from the hallway, to a portion of the house



where all the girls lived. Then there was a stairway going up from the outside to that part of the house where all the boys lived.

She also told that when Charles Thomas, her father, returned from the War, that he arrived in the night and slipped up the outside stairway to his room, and his family did not know he was there until the next morning.

This house, the physical structure, no longer stands, but the moral, cultural and spiritual influence of this home is spread from New Jersey, through the Southeast to Texas, Arizona, Oklahoma, and into California, and unto the fourth and fifth generations, so far.

After Dr. Walton's death Martha was living in Mt. Sterling, Choctaw County, Alabama, when she met Mr. Sanford E. Catterlin. Mr. Catterlin was a northern man who was born at Hamilton, Ohio in 1810. He came first to Marengo County, Alabama in 1828. Then moved to Washington County, Alabama and in 1831 married a daughter of James Mills. He founded Mt. Sterling, about 1832. He became a very wealthy man and returned to Illinois after the War Between the States. After his wife died he came back to Mt. Sterling on a visit. It was then that he met and married Martha Figures Ezell Walton. They returned to Ashley, Illinois where he practiced law and farmed. He died July 20, 1885.

Martha's son, Charles Thomas went to Illinois and brought her back to Mt. Sterling. The last years of her life were spent in Grandview, Texas with her daughter Sue Ezell White. She died there November 13, 1907 and is buried beside her daughter in the Grandview cemetery.

## FUNERAL NOTICE

**Mrs. M. M. Catterlin**

**BORN**

**July 25th, 1826**

**DIED**

**November 13th, 1907**

Funeral services Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, at Baptist Church. Interment in Grandview Cemetery.

## FUNERAL NOTICE.

DIED. - At his residence in Ashley, at 3 o'clock P. M., on Monday, July 20th, 1885,

**SANFORD E. CATTERLIN,**

aged 75 years, 5 months and 13 days.

Friends are invited to attend the Funeral service which will take place at his late residence in Ashley this Tuesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

## Chapter 3

### Charles Thomas Ezell

Charles Thomas was the oldest son of John and Martha M. Ezell. He was born February 5, 1845 near Desotenville, Choctaw County, Alabama. He died in Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama, November 26, 1916. The town of Lisman was developed by him when the Alabama, Tennessee and Northern Railroad was built in 1912 through a plantation given to him and his wife, Rosa Anna Smith, by her father, Captain David H. Smith, of Desotenville, Alabama, when they married on November 29, 1868.

Rosa Anna was born in South Carolina February 7, 1848, and died at Mt. Sterling, Choctaw County, Alabama, March 1, 1908.

When the conflict between the North and the South began, Charlie was sixteen years of age. He took one of the family slaves to be his mess boy and went to Demopolis to enlist. He was enrolled in Montgomery, Alabama, on August 1, 1861 and assigned to Co. B. 4th Ala. Infantry, which became Co. C. of 54th Alabama Regiment in September, 1862, with General Alpheus Baker and Captain Charlie McCall in command. He was captured on Island 10 in the Mississippi River during the siege of Vicksburg and imprisoned at Camp Randall, at Madison, Wisconsin. He became 5th Sergeant of the outfit after prisoners were exchanged. He was wounded at New Hope Church near Atlanta on July 28, 1864. His commanding officer, General Baker carried Charlie off the battlefield riding on the back of his horse. His right leg was amputated above the knee, and he was retired to the Invalid Corps., Provisional Army CSA and discharged in December 1864.

General Baker was so fond of Charlie that he visited in his home in Mt. Sterling, Choctaw County, Alabama. He gave Charlie a desk which is still in the Baker Ezell family.

After the War, Charlie became a merchant, first at Desotenville, Choctaw County, Alabama and then at Thompkinsville, a town on the Tombigbee River. According to Judge Wilber Dearman of Livingston, Sumter County, Alabama, Thompkinsville was at one time the largest voting box in Sumter County, before it was placed in Choctaw County when it was formed in 1847.

When Charlie's family began to increase, he moved to Mt. Sterling, Choctaw County, Alabama for his children to have advantage of the well advanced educational system there. He and Rosa Anna reared eight children there in Mt. Sterling. She died there and he moved to Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama in 1912. (See Lisman history, Chapter 8.)

*John Ezell, Jr. Martha M. Ezell's license issued 4 April 1884*  
*Certificate*  
*I do hereby certify that the ordinance of Montgomery, Ala. is duly observed between the mother named persons on this day and date within mentioned by me*  
*Paul Bell, J. P.*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CLARKE COUNTY  
I, FRED L. HUGGINS  
Judge of Probate in and  
for said State and County, do hereby certify that the  
within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of  
as the same appears on the records of this office.  
Record Book \_\_\_\_\_  
Given under my hand and seal of office this 23rd day of  
February 1916  
Fred L. Huggins  
Judge of Probate



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**I. ALICE EZELL**

b: 9-17-1869

m: 4-20-1892

Alice taught school in a number of places in Choctaw County, Alabama. Dr. Kimbrough died young.

A. Charles Monroe Kimbrough

5-25-1895

Charlie joined the Alabama National Guard, June 23, 1916 in the Machine Gun Company, 1st Ala. Inf. His company, with other National Guard Units, spent the winters of 1916 and 1917 on the Mexican border to stop Pancho Villa, but had no contact with the Mexican. They were sent back to Mobile and "hiked" from there to Montgomery where they were federalized and made into the 31st Div. 123rd Inf. Machine Gun Company. This Division was sent overseas and put in charge of a Machine Gun School and trained recruits for about a year. He was discharged on July 11, 1919 at Camp Gordon, Georgia. He has lived in several Veterans Homes for about fifteen years.

After Dr. Kimbrough's death, Alice married Mr. John W. Davis on January 20, 1910. In their latter years they made their home in Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama. Alice is buried by Dr. Kimbrough in the Mt. Sterling Cemetery.

**II. DAVID SIMEON EZELL**

b: 2-17-1872

d: 2-13-1929

m: 3-31-1896

Sim and Kate are buried in Mt. Sterling, Choctaw County, Alabama Cemetery.

A. Marvin Turnbow Ezell

b: 1-3-1897

m: 8-19-1926

Marvin was in the U.S. Army during World War I. He was drafted in September 1918 and sent to Camp Pike, Arkansas. He was in Brest, France, a seaport in the western extremity of France, within thirty days from the time he entered the service. He spent his period of service in the war in Brest before being discharged on September 9, 1919.

Because of an epidemic of mumps on the transport ship before it arrived in France, the company he was with split up. Upon arrival at Brest he took a driving test and spent the entire time in Brest where he drove the Army dignitaries, one being Major General Helmet.

a. Marvin Turnbow Jr., (M. T.) Ezell

b: 6-23-1928

m: 9-2-1950

Dr. W. F. Kimbrough

Katie Sue Williams

b: 9-16-1873

d: 7-16-1941

Jessie Pruitt

b: 10-3-1898

d: 8-30-1970

Nell Faile

b: 3-25-1930

M. T. served in the U.S. Navy from 1946-1948. He was on the USS Howard W. Gilmore, which was stationed at Brainbridge, Maryland, Philadelphia, Penn., and Key West, Florida. He now operates a garage and saw shop at Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama. Nell is employed by the Choctaw Advocate, Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama, a county weekly newspaper.

1. Marvin Donald (Donnie) Ezell

b: 12-14-1951

Donnie is presently employed in the Dallas County, Alabama school system as a teacher.

2. Barbara Nell Ezell

b: 4-19-1954

Barbara graduated from Montevallo University in 1976.

b. Dorothy Lula Ezell

b: 6-21-1930

m: 6-3-1948

Steve Scruggs

b: 4-24-1928

Dorothy Lula is employed by American Can Company Paper Mill. She lives in Butler, Alabama.

1. Steve Scrugge, Jr.

b: 7-19-1953

2. Joellen Scruggs

b: 12-3-1956

B. Norma Ezell

b: 11-4-1898

m: 7-2-1925

James Thomas Powers

b: 7-23-1898

d: 8-12-1972

Norma is a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Daughters of the American Revolution. She lives in Moundville, Alabama.

a. Margie Irene Powers

b: 7-13-1928

m: 6-3-1947

Thomas Bolen Perry

b: 8-10-1926

They live in Moundville, Alabama.

1. Thomas Douglas Perry

b: 8-7-1952

m: 6-21-1975

Janis Allison

b: 11-9-1952

2. Marjean Perry

b: 6-22-1954

m: 6-8-1973

Ronnie Donald Mitchell

b: 7-4-1952

(a) Benjamin Ronnie Mitchell

b: 12-21-1974

3. Norma Irene Perry

b: 1-6-1960

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4. Charles Allan Perry  
b: 12-24-1962
5. Clinton Lee Perry  
b: 12-24-1962

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| b. Beverly Jean Powers<br>b: 3-25-1931<br>m: 7-4-1928 | (1st) James Lee Tidmore, Jr.<br>b: 7-13-1923<br>d: 2-24-1973 |
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| 1. James Lee Tidmore III<br>b: 4-19-1949<br>m: 6-13-1971 | Linda Gay White<br>b: 8-29-1948 |
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- (a) Joley Estella Tidmore  
b: 11-3-1974

2. Simeon David Tidmore  
b: 10-17-1954

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| b. Beverley Jean Powers<br>m: 4-25-1974 | (2nd) Horace C. Evans<br>b: 8-18-1921 |
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No issue

They live in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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| c. Mary Norma Powers<br>b: 12-29-1937<br>m: 5-29-1960 | James La Mar Kieth<br>b: 7-20-1933 |
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They live in Lawrenceville (Atlanta), Georgia.

1. Mary Katherine Kieth  
b: 2-24-1964

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| C. Irene Claudia Ezell<br>b: 11-19-1901<br>m: 9-3-1932 | Edward Burke Cullen<br>b: 1-4-1897<br>d: 8-8-1962 |
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No issue.

**III. CHARLES AGNEW EZELL**

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| b: 6-16-1875<br>d: 9-10-1945<br>m: 6-16-1903 | Leona Hearn<br>b: 6-11-1879<br>d: 12-17-1915 |
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They married at the home of Leona's father, Mr. E. B. Hearn, near Gaston, Sumter County, Alabama (See Gaston history, Ch. 8.) They lived at Lavaca, Choctaw County, Ala., (see Lavaca history, Ch. 8) until Lisman was established. (See Lisman history, Ch. 8.) After Leona's death Agnew moved back to Lavaca and was a merchant, farmer and timberman. They are buried in Lisman, Choctaw County, Ala.

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| A. Virginia Ezell<br>b: 4-23-1904<br>m: 6-17-1929 | J. C. Moore<br>b: 10-3-1900<br>d: 11-1-1962 |
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They lived most of their married lives in Meridian, Mississippi.

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| a. Velma Ruth Moore<br>b: 1-16-1933<br>m: 7-14-1951 | Virgil Clyde Kynerd (Pete)<br>b: 7-27-1924 |
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They live at Bailey, Mississippi, both are employed at the U.S. Naval Base in Meridian, Mississippi.

1. John Russell (Rusty) Kynerd  
b: 6-29-1952

Rusty is employed in the sports department at J. C. Penney & Company, in Meridian, Mississippi.

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| B. Henry Ludie Ezell<br>b: 9-12-1906<br>d: 9-4-1962 | Inez Singer<br>b: 1-15-1909<br>d: 2-10-1970 |
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Henry was a Choctaw County Engineer. He was killed by a truck while on the job.

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| a. Henry James Ezell<br>b: 12-13-1930<br>d: 12-23-1971<br>m: 9-27-1952 | (1st) Mary Perry |
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Henry James was in the U.S. Army 1951-1953. He was injured during the Korean conflict where he received two Purple Hearts. He was also recognized by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

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| 1. Evelyn Inez Ezell<br>b: 6-11-1953<br>m: 3-8-1975 | Charles Daniel Rhodes |
| 2. Juanita Louise Ezell<br>b: 6-6-1951              |                       |

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| a. Henry James Ezell<br>m: 8-24-1963 | (2nd) Mary Anne Loftis<br>b: 4-8-1945 |
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3. Linda Anne Ezell  
b: 8-4-1965

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| b. Leona Ezell<br>b: 4-13-1932<br>m: 12-21-1956 | George Thomas Lassiter (Buddy)<br>b: 10-20-1933 |
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Leona was a Sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps. 4, 1951-5, 1954. They are on a tour of duty in Brazil for the Matlin Drilling Company of Houston, Texas.



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1. George Thomas Lassiter, Jr.  
b: 9-20-1957
  2. Johnny Dabbs Lassiter  
b: 8-17-1960
  3. Donald Ludie Lassiter  
b: 3-18-1964
- c. Sarah Ezell, R.N.                      Henry Edward Landrum, Jr.  
b: 9-14-1933                                      b: 6-16-1932  
m: 3-24-1955
- Sarah and Henry both are employed by American Can Paper Company.
1. Henry Edward Landrum III  
b: 3-5-1956
  2. Cherry Ann Landrum  
b: 1-20-1959
  3. Barry Ezell Landrum  
b: 1-2-1964
- d. Patsy Ann Ezell                      (1st) Melvin Lee Bonner  
b: 1-8-1935                                      b: 7-3-1955  
m: 2-13-1954
1. James Ronnie Bonner  
b: 7-3-1955
- d. Patsy Ann Ezell                      (2nd) Basil Manley Parten  
b: 11-12-1933
- Patsy Ann was a Pvt. in the U.S. Marine Corp., June 1953-1954.
2. Gloria Jean Parten  
b: 9-28-1958
  3. Kerry Brodus Parten  
b: 9-10-1961
  4. Diana Lynn Parten  
b: 12-19-1963
- e. Roy Harvey (Tink) Ezell                      Rita Arlene Lovelace  
b: 6-1-1942                                      b: 1-8-1949  
m: 2-18-1967
- Tink is employed by the American Can Paper Company
1. Leigh Elizabeth Ezell  
b: 9-25-1967
- f. Jessie Virginia Ezell (Ginny)                      Otis Donnal Martin  
b: 7-20-1946                                      b: 10-3-1937  
m: 9-27-1967
1. Otis Donnal Martin, Jr.  
b: 12-31-1967

- g. Mattye Kate Ezell                      (1st) Howard Moody Loftis  
(Kitty) R.N.                                      b: 7-1946  
b: 4-17-1948  
m: 4-3-1970
- No issue
- g. Mattye Kate Ezell                      (2nd) Max Johnson  
m: 11-15-1972                                      b: 12-12-1950
1. Tina Marie Johnson  
b: 10-17-1973
- Kitty is supervisor of the Choctaw General Nursing Home, Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama.
- h. Howard Gully (Doc) Ezell                      Linda LeMoine McCraney  
b: 11-9-1950                                      b: 7-5-1951  
m: 9-26-1969
1. Sean Clinton Ezell  
b: 6-30-1970
- They live in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and operate a retail store.
- C. Anna Ruth (Betsy) Ezell                      Jim Stribling  
b: 12-10-1908                                      b: 8-22-1909  
m: 6-10-1947
- No issue
- Anna Ruth lived in Los Angeles, California from February 1941 to May 1947. She was employed by The Farmers & Merchants National Bank of Los Angeles. During World War II she was manager of the Mortgage Loan Division of the Trust Department, a position usually held by a key man. They live in Jackson, Mississippi.
- D. Charles Agnew Ezell, Jr.                      Mary Hamilton  
b: 1-20-1911                                      b: 3-8-1923  
m: 7-6-1939
- C. A. attended the University of Alabama. He served in the U.S. Marine Corp, 1932 and was medically discharged. Coming back to Lavaca, Choctaw County, Alabama, he started in the commercial fishing business, thus gradually growing into C. A. Ezell Fish Company, Inc. (See Lavaca history, Ch. 8.) Mary is post mistress of the Lavaca post office.
- a. Charles Agnew Ezell III                      Kim Hart  
b: 9-17-1943                                      b: 3-30-1955
- Charles graduated from the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1967-1969. He is presently President of Catfish Cabin of America, Inc., and vice-president of C. A. Ezell Fish Company, Inc.

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1. George Thomas Lassiter, Jr.  
b: 9-20-1957
  2. Johnny Dabbs Lassiter  
b: 8-17-1960
  3. Donald Ludie Lassiter  
b: 3-18-1964
- c. Sarah Ezell, R.N.                      Henry Edward Landrum, Jr.  
b: 9-14-1933                                      b: 6-16-1932  
m: 3-24-1955
- Sarah and Henry both are employed by American Can Paper Company.
1. Henry Edward Landrum III  
b: 3-5-1956
  2. Cherry Ann Landrum  
b: 1-20-1959
  3. Barry Ezell Landrum  
b: 1-2-1964
- d. Patsy Ann Ezell                      (1st) Melvin Lee Bonner  
b: 1-8-1935                                      b: 7-3-1955  
m: 2-13-1954
1. James Ronnie Bonner  
b: 7-3-1955
- d. Patsy Ann Ezell                      (2nd) Basil Manley Parten  
b: 11-12-1933
- Patsy Ann was a Pvt. in the U.S. Marine Corp., June 1953-1954.
2. Gloria Jean Parten  
b: 9-28-1958
  3. Kerry Brodus Parten  
b: 9-10-1961
  4. Diana Lynn Parten  
b: 12-19-1963
- e. Roy Harvey (Tink) Ezell                      Rita Arlene Lovelace  
b: 6-1-1942                                      b: 1-8-1949  
m: 2-18-1967
- Tink is employed by the American Can Paper Company
1. Leigh Elizabeth Ezell  
b: 9-25-1967
- f. Jessie Virginia Ezell (Ginny)                      Otis Donnal Martin  
b: 7-20-1946                                      b: 10-3-1937  
m: 9-27-1967
1. Otis Donnal Martin, Jr.  
b: 12-31-1967

- g. Mattye Kate Ezell                      (1st) Howard Moody Loftis  
(Kitty) R.N.                                      b: 7-1946  
b: 4-17-1948  
m: 4-3-1970
- No issue
- g. Mattye Kate Ezell                      (2nd) Max Johnson  
m: 11-15-1972                                      b: 12-12-1950
1. Tina Marie Johnson  
b: 10-17-1973
- Kitty is supervisor of the Choctaw General Nursing Home, Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama.
- h. Howard Gully (Doc) Ezell                      Linda LeMoine McCraney  
b: 11-9-1950                                      b: 7-5-1951  
m: 9-26-1969
1. Sean Clinton Ezell  
b: 6-30-1970
- They live in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and operate a retail store.
- C. Anna Ruth (Betsy) Ezell                      Jim Stribling  
b: 12-10-1908                                      b: 8-22-1909  
m: 6-10-1947
- No issue
- Anna Ruth lived in Los Angeles, California from February 1941 to May 1947. She was employed by The Farmers & Merchants National Bank of Los Angeles. During World War II she was manager of the Mortgage Loan Division of the Trust Department, a position usually held by a key man. They live in Jackson, Mississippi.
- D. Charles Agnew Ezell, Jr.                      Mary Hamilton  
b: 1-20-1911                                      b: 3-8-1923  
m: 7-6-1939
- C. A. attended the University of Alabama. He served in the U.S. Marine Corp, 1932 and was medically discharged. Coming back to Lavaca, Choctaw County, Alabama, he started in the commercial fishing business, thus gradually growing into C. A. Ezell Fish Company, Inc. (See Lavaca history, Ch. 8.) Mary is post mistress of the Lavaca post office.
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(See Lavaca history, Ch. 8):

- b. Mary Ann Ezell  
b: 9-21-1948  
m: 6-8-1969

Walter Wayne Hall  
b: 10-26-1942

Mary Ann graduated from Livingston University in 1970. She is president of the Choctaw Ruffin Dragoons Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Her ancestor was her great grandfather, Charles Thomas Ezell. She is serving as personal page to the Alabama Division President of the UDC, Mrs. John H. Curry for 1976. Walter Wayne is manager and co-owner of C. A. Fish Co., Inc. He served in the U.S. Air Force 1961-65.

1. Walter Wayne Hall, Jr.  
b: 6-19-1970
2. Angela Nicole Hall  
b: 7-24-1973

- c. Joe Hamilton Ezell  
b: 1-13-1954  
m: 7-28-1974

Pam Christopher  
b: 2-25-1952

Joe graduated from the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. He and Pam are partners in several of the Catfish Cabin restaurants.

- E. Roy Hearn Ezell  
b: 1-23-1913  
m: 6-8-1946

Oregon Olivia Martin (Jiggs) R.N.  
b: 11-22-1923

Roy was the first white baby to be born in Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama after the village was developed in 1912. He was Sergeant in the U.S. Army Engineers, April 1942-January 1946. He served much of that time in Alaska. Roy is now co-owner and operator of the Ezell Catfish Cabin located at old Lotts Ferry, Choctaw County, Alabama. (See Lavaca and Lotts Ferry history, Ch. 8.)

- a. Roy Hearn Ezell, Jr.  
b: 2-3-1948  
m: 2-15-1971

Ann Homer  
b: 6-11-1953

Roy Junior is employed by Vanity Fair Mills, Inc., presently assigned to Milton, Florida.

1. Roy Hearn Ezell, III  
b: 6-14-1972

- F. Floyd Williams Ezell  
b: 11-24-1915  
m: 3-10-1940

Hazel Grant  
b: 6-25-1918

After the death of his mother in December 1915, Floyd was reared by his aunt, Susie Ezell Williams. He was an engineer with Gulf Oil Company for a number of years. His last employment before he retired and moved back to Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama, was with Central Foundry in Holt, Alabama, Tuscaloosa County, from 1954 to 1974. Hazel was Professor of Cosmetology at Shelton Technical School, Tuscaloosa, Alabama for twenty years.

- a. Carlton Grant Ezell  
b: 5-30-1941  
m: 7-24-1964

Hazel J. Findley (Toppy)  
b: 10-13-1944

Grant is presently employed by the Covington Electrical Contractor Company, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

1. Mary Carla Ezell  
b: 9-24-1965
2. Deana Ann Ezell  
b: 7-5-1967

- b. Susan Leone Ezell  
b: 10-7-1946  
m: 12-22-1968

James R. Williams  
b: 12-10-1946

They live in Montgomery, Montgomery County, Alabama, where Jimmie is Chaplain at the Baptist Medical Center.

1. Christopher Wyatt Williams  
b: 1-11-1973
2. James Kevin Williams  
b: 8-12-1975

- G. Lloyd Ezell Patrick  
b: 11-24-1915

After his mother's death in December 1915, Lloyd was reared by his Aunt, Maude Ezell Patrick, and Mr. Patrick.

After the Patricks moved to Norfolk, Virginia, Lloyd received his high school education there. His name was legally changed to Patrick, but he was not adopted.

He graduated from Parks Air College, East St. Louis in early 1937 and the same year accepted a position with Douglas Air Craft Company, which has merged with McDonald Air Craft Company and is now McDonald-Douglas Air Craft Company.

His first work was in the Wing and Center Section Department for the DC3 type air craft, at Santa Monica, California.

While there he married Katherine Cane and they had one daughter, Patricia Lee who married Harry Hain. They had no children. Pattie still lives in California.

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States in the United States of America in which he was assigned are: New York, Maine, Delaware, Florida, Massachusetts, New Jersey and California.

In 1942 he was assigned to Project 19 for Douglas in Eritrea, a territory on the east coast of Africa that is federated with Ethiopia.

During World War II he was assigned to the Air Transport Command (ATC) which was connected with the United States Military Service. For three years he was Technical Representative with the ATC, and saw duty in England, France and India. Soon after World War II he married Margaret Griffith. They had one daughter, Jo Ann, who married Jack Hill. They have three children, Patrick, Laura and Dereck. The Hills live in Denver, Colorado.

After that he became a member of Douglas Field Service. In this position he served as liaison officer between the Douglas Factory and the National Air Company (the customer) in each country where he was stationed.

He had a short term in Mexico City, Mexico, then in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil from 1961-66. From there he was transferred to Montreal, Canada. He retired in 1975 and returned to live in Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama.

His last marriage was to Elena Clara Hachmann, of Germany. Their daughter, Michele, married Jadier Ruiz, a native of Spain, where they lived a short while. They now reside in Oklahoma, where Jadier is manager of one of the Ezell "Catfish Cabins." They have one daughter Elena Anna.

**IV. MARTHA ANNA EZELL**

b: 5-22-1877  
d: 6-24-1952

Mattie never married, she spent 45 years as a teacher. She was a governess for several families and taught the third generation in a number of families.

**V. JOHN BAKER EZELL**

b: 3-2-1880  
d: 9-19-1953  
m: 2-2-1902

Nora Rainer  
b: 12-25-1880  
d: 9-13-1936

A. Ruby Ezell  
b: 4-29-1903  
m: 2-22-1929

Austin Slater Holder  
b: 12-8-1900

a. Nora Elizabeth Holder (Betty)  
b: 6-27-1930  
m: 8-10-1948

David Alexander McDonald  
b: 8-14-1926

1. Michael David McDonald  
b: 2-22-1957
2. Susan Dawn McDonald  
b: 3-13-1962

- b. Baker Ezell Holder                      Margaret Marie Watters  
b: 3-12-1932                                      b: 1-30-1933  
m: 10-5-1952

Ezell was a member of the U.S. 11th Airborne Division during World War II.

1. Laura Marie Holder                      Sanford Harvey  
b: 7-6-1955  
m: 7-12-1975
2. James Ezell Holder  
b: 10-9-1957

- c. Martha Alice Holder                      Jacky Ronald Lay  
b: 10-27-1938                                      b: 1-27-1933  
m: 6-12-1959

1. Robert Alan Lay  
b: 12-24-1959
2. Roger Dale Lay  
b: 8-16-1961
3. Christopher Robin Lay  
b: 8-17-1972

- B. Martha Anna Ezell  
b: 8-22-1907  
d: 9-24-1924

- C. Charles Rainer Ezell                      Lucile Means  
b: 7-6-1910                                      b: 5-3-1914  
m: 7-1935                                      d: 2-19-1961

Rainer has varied occupations; he has a franchise with International Paper Company; farms, deals in timber; cattle; and was Choctaw County Commissioner for District II from 1955 to 1975. He is a director in the First National Bank of Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama.

In 1965 Rainer married Lucy Scurlock Barber who died in 1970. He then married Carolyn Emmons Wiggs in 1971. They live in Lisman, and Carolyn is employed by Kelly-Buckley Chevrolet Company of Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama.

- a. Rainer Clark Ezell                      Jane Edwards  
b: 6-18-1936  
d: 10-30-1968  
m: 4-2-1960



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Rainer Clark was employed by International Paper Company. He was killed in a truck accident.

1. Dianna Ezell  
b: 8-10-1960
2. Terry Ezell  
b: 3-10-1963
3. Jeffery Rainer Ezell  
b: 4-1-1966

b. Wayne Ezell  
b: 11-20-1937  
m: 4-21-1959

Rosie Jane Rainer

1. Lisa Ezell  
b: 7-26-1961
2. Donald Wayne Ezell  
b: 4-12-1962
3. Richard Ezell  
8-20-1963

Butch Collins

c. Eugene Mark Ezell  
b: 3-22-1941  
m: 4-24-1971

Patricia Watters  
b: 7-17-1949

Mark graduated from the University of Alabama Law School. On the death of Probate Judge Richard McPherson in April 1969 he was appointed to fill the unexpired term. In November 1970 he was re-elected for a six year term.

1. Rainer Watters Ezell  
b: 12-3-1971
2. Bradley Harden Ezell  
b: 6-6-1976

d. James Walter (Dub) Ezell  
b: 11-13-1942  
m: 7-12-1968

Delores Moural  
b: 5-10-1938

Dub is in the General Merchandise business at Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama. He also farms.

1. James Walter Ezell, Jr.  
b: 4-26-1971
2. Charles Scott Ezell  
b: 4-18-1973

e. Kay Ezell  
b: 4-4-1945  
d: 5-16-1964

Kay was killed in an automobile accident.

f. David Ezell  
b: 11-9-1947  
m: 4-4-1971

Frances Adams

David farms, raises cattle and is affiliated with the Liberty National Insurance Company. In March 1976 his associates and the management of his district selected him as the exceptional life insurance man of the quarter. They presented him with a personalized plaque. The selection was based on his sales and his general attitude towards the life insurance business. He and Frances live in Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama.

1. Mary Lesley Ezell  
b: 7-22-1972
2. Riley Ezell  
b: 10-9-1975

g. Martha Ezell  
b: 11-8-1954

Martha is a Livingston University graduate, and is employed in the English Department of the University, at Livingston, Sumter County, Alabama.

D. John Baker Ezell  
b: 3-3-1912  
m: 5-5-1934

Orma Hall

John is employed by Sanders Lumber Company, Meridian, Mississippi, affiliated with American Can Paper Company.

a. Dorothy Ann (Dot) Ezell  
b: 1-9-1935  
m: 7-22-1955

Franklin Page Webb  
b: 11-9-1934

Dot and Franklin operate and are co-owners with his sister of the Butcher Shop Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama.

1. Franklin Page Webb, Jr.  
b: 6-5-1956

Page received a double United Daughters of the Confederacy Scholarship to the University of Alabama.

2. John Russell Webb  
b: 5-13-1960
3. Adam Ezell Webb  
b: 11-1-1973

b. Audrey Mae (Beebe) Ezell  
b: 5-28-1936  
m: 4-19-1951

Fred Grant  
b: 4-19-1945

1. Cindy Grant  
b: 6-15-1953

Nathaniel Watkins Jr.

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2. Fred Michael Grant  
b: 6-9-1957
3. Pamela Grant  
b: 10-28-1959
- Kenny M. Farris
- (a) Gregg Michael Farris  
b: 7-24-1975
- c. Johnnie Jean Ezell  
b: 1-23-1938  
d: 5-14-1964  
m: 5-6-1958
- Wendell L. James  
b: 10-28-1934
1. Wendell Lee James, Jr.  
b: 1-31-1960
2. Rhonda Jean James  
b: 5-5-1964
- d. Malcolm Barber (Son) Ezell  
b: 6-25-1940  
m: 10-25-1966
- (1st) Jane McPhearson
- Son is manager of the Choctaw County Country Club, Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama.
1. Malcolm Anthony Ezell  
b: 9-9-1967
- d. Malcolm Barber Ezell  
m: 11-9-1973
- (2nd) Jackie Winslow  
b: 9-4-1941
- e. Sue Ezell  
b: 6-28-1941  
m: 2-18-1961
- Marvin Ray Gibson
- Sue has spent much of her married life in California and Japan where Ray has been stationed in the U.S. Air Force as M. Sgt.
1. John Richard Gibson  
b: 4-22-1969  
d: 4-24-1969
2. Marvin Sean Gibson  
b: 10-3-1971
- f. Mary Louise Ezell  
b: 10-15-1942  
m: 9-30-1958
- (1st) Tommie Littlepage
1. Marsha Anne Littlepage  
b: 1-24-1960
- f. Mary Louise Ezell  
m: 6-6-1965
- (2nd) Clarence Al Butler

No issue

- f. Mary Louise Ezell  
m: 1-27-1972
- (3rd) Richard A. Rothschild  
b: 1-21-1903 in Germany
- No issue
- E. Walter Horn (Todd) Ezell  
b: 8-26-1916  
m: 2-1944
- Emma Bea Sparrow, R.N.
- Walter Horn was a Chief Petty Officer in the U.S. Coast Guard from 9-14-1939 to 11-13-1945 in the North Atlantic Area. He was in the air conditioning business in Harlingen, Texas, until retirement. He is treasurer of Al Amin Temple of the Rio Grande Valley Shrine Club and lives in Harlingen, Texas.
- a. Marshall Todd Ezell  
b: 1-31-1944  
m: 7-12-1974
- Linda Dabbs Davis
- Marshall was First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army from enlisting February, 1969. He served in Vietnam as a helicopter pilot. Now lives in Harlingen, Texas.
- b. Walter Michael Ezell  
b: 1-20-1947  
m: 4-7-1973
- Glenna White
- They live in Harlingen, Texas.
- c. Mary Linn Ezell  
b: 6-28-1973
- Mary Linn lives in Palo Alto, California.
- F. Etta Maude Ezell  
b: 12-31-1919  
m: 3-24-1945
- William James Hilton  
b: 11-15-1918
- They live in Lockart, Texas.
- a. Nora Faye Hilton  
b: 1-21-1947
- b. Alice Nan Hilton  
b: 2-17-1948
- Harvey Leon Reeves  
b: 1-5-1947
- c. Linda Ann Hilton  
b: 6-29-1950
- Billy Don Shirley  
b: 12-2-1950
- d. Melissa Hilton  
b: 7-5-1963
- G. James Norman (Jabo) Ezell  
b: 10-17-1922  
m: 10-6-1946
- Peggy Tillery  
b: 11-6-1923
- Norman served in the U.S. Navy from 12-11-1942 to 3-13-1946. He had



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basic training at San Diego, California, and was M M2-USNR. He served one year at the Submarine Base at Pearl Harbor and fifteen months aboard the USS Bland, a troop transport operating in the Pacific. He is now employed by International Paper Company and lives in Spanish Fort, Alabama.

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|----------------------------------|---------------|
| a. James Norman Ezell, Jr. (Jim) | Carolyn Woltz |
| b: 8-14-1947                     | b: 11-5-1949  |
| m: 1-15-1972                     |               |

Jim is an artist and has had paintings in a number of shows. He lives in Tuscaloosa, Alabama and operates an art supply store.

- b. William Tillery (Bill) Ezell  
b: 8-4-1948

Bill is employed by the Maryland Center for Public Broadcasting at Owins Mills, Maryland. He is lighting designer on the weekly program Consumers Survival Kit, which is nationally televised.

**VI. SUSIE FRADONIA EZELL**

- |               |                      |
|---------------|----------------------|
| b: 10-3-1882  | Carlton Lee Williams |
| d: 8-25-1962  | b: 3-10-1876         |
| m: 11-22-1900 | d: 1-18-1947         |

Susie and Lee lived most of their lives in Choctaw County, Alabama, at Tuscahoma, Mt. Sterling and Lisman. But lived in the Rio Grande Valley about fifteen years at Santa Rosa, Texas. They are both buried in Mt. Sterling, Alabama.

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| A. Susie Lee Williams | John Tuman Allen |
| b: 8-1-1903           | b: 7-25-1892     |
| m: 10-30-1924         | d: 8-5-1960      |

Susie Lee gave twenty one years service on the Executive Committee of the Alabama West Florida Conference, Woman's Society of Christian Service of the United Methodist Church. She was Recording Secretary six of those years, Vice-president three years and President 1960-64. She was the first woman elected from the Alabama West Florida Conference to the United Methodist Church General Conference, which she attended three times as a voting delegate. She is a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Lives in Cromwell, Alabama.

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. John Tuman Allen, Jr., (J.T.) | Elizabeth Anne Shotts |
| b: 3-6-1927                      | b: 4-30-1928          |
| m: 9-18-1949                     |                       |

J. T. enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was in the 31st Special 109th Construction Battalion, known as the Sea Bees. Was

stationed in Yokosuka, Japan nine months and Guam two months. Was discharged at Memphis, Tennessee, July 1946.

J. T. graduated from Auburn University at Auburn, Alabama. He is in the farm, timber and feed mill business. Is a director of the Choctaw Bank of Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama, Chairman of the Directors of the Demopolis Production Credit Association, Demopolis, Marengo County, Alabama and a director of the Fifth District (Ala., Miss., and La.) Farm Credit Board of New Orleans, Louisiana. The Farm Credit Board includes the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of New Orleans, the Federal Land Bank of New Orleans and the New Orleans Bank for Cooperatives. He served as Chairman in 1974. His home is at Cromwell, Choctaw County, Alabama.

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|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. John Cleveland Allen | Mary Jane Robertson |
| b: 1-14-1952            | McPherson           |
| m: 4-24-1969            | b: 8-23-1953        |

Johnny is a Forester and operates the Black Belt Wood Company in Eutaw, Greene County, Alabama.

- (a) Babette Carolina Allen (Babs)  
b: 11-9-1969  
(b) Jennifer Leigh Allen (Jenny)  
b: 11-7-1973  
(c) Katy Michele Allen  
b: 11-25-1974  
(d) Jane Robertson Allen  
b: 11-28-1975

2. James Leo Allen  
b: 3-29-1955

Leo was named to Who's Who and to the Society of Outstanding American High School Students, 1972-73. He received a number of trophies and awards in baseball, football, and basketball while attending Catherine Academy in Wilcox County, Alabama. He is now a student at Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama.

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| b. Thomas Lee Allen | Barbara Anne Wimberly |
| b: 3-4-1933         | b: 9-21-1933          |
| m: 5-30-1953        |                       |

Thomas Lee graduated from the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He is a merchant, cotton farmer, raises cattle, and grows timber. He is president of the Choctaw County Farm Bureau and a director of the Demopolis, Alabama Federal Land Bank.

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1. Thomas Lee Allen, Jr.  
b: 3-23-1955

Diane Gibson  
b: 6-16-1955

Lee attends the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Alabama and Diane attends Brewer's Junior College.

- (a) Andrea Lee Allen  
b: 2-8-1975

2. Carol Anne Allen  
b: 6-14-1958

**VII. MAUDE EZELL**

b: 1-2-1885  
d: 7-3-1974

Robert Willis Patrick  
d: 4-4-1947

Maude was a school teacher. She and Mr. Patrick lived in Norfolk, Virginia from 1927 until his retirement in 1946, then they moved back to Lisman, Alabama. She was a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. They are buried in the Mt. Sterling, Choctaw County, Alabama Cemetery. No issue.

**VIII. CLARKE TAYLOR EZELL**

b: 3-22-1888  
d: 2-4-1960  
m: 2-16-1930

Elizabeth Powell  
b: 9-2-1903

Taylor enlisted in the U.S. Army June 11, 1918 at Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama. He saw service in the St. Die Section and in Meuse Argonne in France from September to November 11, 1918 with the 321st Infantry during World War I. He was discharged at Ft. Oglethorpe, Louisiana, June 26, 1919 as a private.

- A. Clarke Taylor Ezell, Jr.  
b: 11-11-1930  
m: 5-26-1957

Anita Ratcliff  
b: 5-9-1933

Clarke enlisted and served in the U.S. Navy Submarine Service from 1948 to 1952. He served on the USS Submarine Bergoll and USS Atula. Had one year of duty in Hawaii and six months in Cuba, also in the Mediterranean Sea. His rank was Third Class Petty Officer. He is now employed by American Can Paper Company, raises cattle, and has an interest in a Farm Equipment Company in Meridian, Mississippi.

1. Pamela Jayne (Pam) Ezell  
b: 6-12-1958

Pam was Valedictorian of the Class of 1976 at the Patrician Academy,

Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama.

2. Anita Elizabeth (Beth) Ezell  
b: 11-11-1962
3. Gina Clarke Ezell  
b: 8-12-1964
4. Paula Sue Ezell  
b: 9-25-1967

- B. Charles Powell Ezell  
b: 1-2-1932  
m: 1-1-1957

S. L. Morris  
b: 7-11-1934

Charles enlisted in the U.S. Navy March 6, 1951 as a Seaman Recruit. He was assigned to the USS McGowen in August and served combat duty off the coast of Korea in 1952-53. The ship was fired upon six times during a tour of duty. The USS McGowen had the distinction of going around the world during the Korean Conflict. Charles received: Korean Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal and Occupation Service Medal (European Clasp). He was discharged February 17, 1955 with the rank of Third Class Petty Officer. He is now employed by American Can Paper Company and lives at Mt. Sterling, Choctaw County, Alabama.

- a. Donna Carol Ezell  
b: 11-29-1957
- b. Beverly Ann Ezell  
b: 9-2-1959

- C. Robert Patrick Ezell  
b: 4-15-1933  
m: 5-12-1967

Mary Lou Mathews  
b: 1-3-1947

Robert enlisted in the U.S. Army January 3, 1954. He did overseas duty in Korea and Japan. He received: the National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Medal and United Nations Service Medal. He was discharged at Fort Benning, Georgia December 21, 1956 as SP 4 Sgt. Served in Reserves until December 1961. He is now employed by American Can Paper Company and lives in Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama.

- a. Robert Patrick Ezell, Jr.  
b: 7-14-1968
- b. Clark Mathews Ezell  
b: 10-10-1970
- c. Sheila Dawn Ezell  
b: 8-24-1972



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D. Parker Miller Ezell  
b: 1-15-1935  
m: 12-27-1970

Sherry Lorene Eddy  
b: .10-22-1946

Miller was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant upon graduation from Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, December 1957. He served six months active duty at Fort Knox, Kentucky, January to July, 1958. He attended Armor Branch School and served in the Reserve Units, Gilbertown, Choctaw County, and Livingston, Sumter County, Alabama and then joined the National Guard Unit at Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama in 156 Military Police Bn. and was called to active duty in 1961 where he served one year at Fort Gordon, Georgia. He attended Military Police School and was Commander of the Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama National Guard Unit in 1962-63. Was transferred to Army Reserve in 1964. Was discharged from the Reserve in 1974 with the rank of Captain. He is now employed by the American Can Paper Company, and lives in Butler, Choctaw County, Alabama, and raises cattle.

- a. James Brandon Ezell  
b: 6-9-1972  
d: 6-9-1972
- b. Angelia Lorene Ezell (adopted)  
b: 7-29-1972

You will note that four brothers and their father served in the U.S. Armed Forces, and their grandfather served in the Confederate Army.

## Chapter 4

### Susan Ezell White

Susan (Sue) was the eldest daughter of John and Martha Ezell. She was born in June 1846 and died March 22, 1933. She married George Sidney White, who was born July 2, 1837. He was drowned in Kinterbish Creek April 4, 1876 and is buried in the Gaston, Sumter County Alabama cemetery. (See Gaston History, Chapter 8.) Sue was left with three small sons. After a few years she took two of the sons, Claude and Will to Grandview, Texas. She later moved to Cleburne, Texas to live near her son Claude. Sue was dearly beloved by all who knew her, indeed a great lady of the old South. She is buried in Grandview, Texas, beside her mother, Martha.

#### I. GEORGE S. WHITE JR.

Sally Walton

b: 4-6-1886  
d: 12-5-1901  
m: 2-6-1895

George is buried in York, Sumter County, Alabama.

- A. Sydney Ormond White  
b: 12-15-1896  
d: 10-2-1897, Buried at York, Alabama
- B. George Willard White  
b: 1-8-1900

#### II. CLAUDE LAVERT WHITE

Oma Pitts

b: 12-16-1873  
d: 1-16-1935  
m: 12-18-1894

d: 6-19-1923

They are buried in Grandview, Texas.

- A. Leovin White  
b: 7-8-1897  
m: 2-8-1923
  - a. John Joe McColpin  
b: 12-8-1923
  - b. Betty Lou McColpin  
b: 8-5-1926

John McColpin

Andrew Kerr  
b: 9-10-1929

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1. David Kerr
  2. Claude White Kerr
- B. Irene White  
b: 2-13-1899  
d: 3-11-1927  
m: 6-29-1922
- a. Harold J. New, Jr.  
b: 1923 at Cleburne, Texas

Harold J. New

- C. Claude Lavert, Jr.  
b: 1-19-1904

Claude Porter

No issue

- D. Mark Wells White  
b: 4-8-1907

- a. Mark Wells White, Jr.,  
Secretary of the State of Texas.

III. WILLIAM BROADHURST WHITE

- b: 2-11-1875  
d: 5-15-1940  
m: 1-21-1900

Jennie Harrell  
b: 4-21-1876

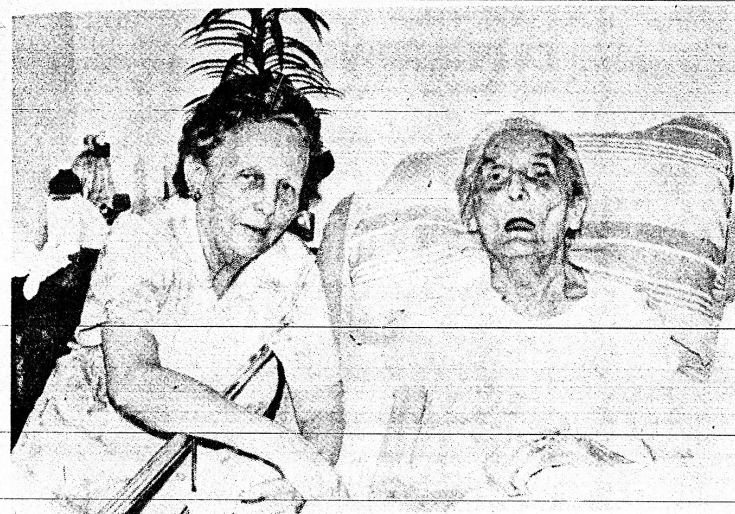
On April 21, 1976 Jennie Harrell White celebrated her 100th birthday with a reception at Colonial Manor Nursing Home, Cleburne, Texas. Miss Jennie, as she is known by her host of friends, has been a resident of the home since August 1975.

Among the many greetings she received was one from President and Mrs. Ford.

- A. Lewis Sidney White  
b: 7-11-1902  
d: 7-3-1904
  - B. Martha Jane White  
b: 5-25-1912  
m: 7-12-1945
    - a. Harrell Crandall Rhome  
b: 11-30-1946  
m: 7-24-1974
    - b. Lewis Loftin Rhome  
b: 2-18-1954
- Single

Otto Crandall Rhome  
b: 11-13-1910

Susan Shaw  
b: 8-3-1948



**CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY**--Mrs. Jennie White, a lifelong resident of the Grandview community, celebrated her 100th birthday Wednesday April 21 with a reception at Colonial Manor Nursing Home, Cleburne. She has been a resident of the nursing home since August, 1975.

Mrs. White was born in the Rock Tank community, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hamilton Harrell. Mrs. White was a part of the many changes that have occurred the past century, and always kept herself informed of the impending changes and speculated on the effect they would have on our community and the world in general.

Mrs. White has one daughter, Mrs. Otto (Martha) Rhome pictured with her mother, and two grandsons, Harrell Rhome of Amarillo and Lewis Rhome of the University of Texas, Austin.

Among the many birthday greetings Mrs. White received was one from President Ford and Mrs. Ford.

(Staff Photo)

*Mrs. Ford and I extend to you our  
warmest congratulations on a very  
special occasion -- your 100th birthday.  
We sincerely wish you every happiness.*

*Harold R. Ford*



## Chapter 5

### John Coleman Ezell

John Coleman was the second son of John and Martha Ezell. He was born March 2, 1849. In the 1850 Choctaw County census Coleman is listed as living in his father's home in Township 15. In 1860 census his mother, Martha M. Ezell is listed as "head of household." Then in 1870, a John Coleman Ezell is listed in Township 15 in the household of W. H. Evington, he was twenty one and born in Alabama.

Ethel Pratt Harwell Miller, a granddaughter of John Coleman stated in her United Daughters of the Confederacy papers that he ran away from home at the age of fifteen and took Charles Thomas, his brother's place in the Confederate Army.

On September 13, 1871 he married Americus Viola Shirley, in Meridian, Mississippi. She was born October 3, 1855. They settled one mile west of Gaston, Sumter County, Alabama (See chapter eight Gaston History). Gaston was on the Old Gaston and Meridian Road, now called the Ward and Gaston Road, about two miles east of Ward, Alabama. The old home is still standing but in very poor condition.

Viola died January 13, 1897 and Coleman died April 26, 1912 at Hot Springs, Arkansas where he had gone for the hot springs treatments. They are both buried in the Ward, Alabama, (Enoch) Cemetery.

#### I. CORA EZELL

b: 7-21-1873  
d: 9-5-1919  
m: 2-22-1893

Derius Edward Pratt  
b: 7-4-1861  
d: 11-1-1956

They lived in the vicinity of Ward, Alabama and are buried there.

#### A. Ethel Lucille Pratt

b: 12-29-1893  
m: 4-1914 d. 7-1976

(1st) Willis Eugene Harwell  
b: 9-16-1891  
d: 1-30-1956

Ethel was admitted to membership in the Choctaw Ruffin Dragoons Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, through the services of her great uncle, Charles Thomas Ezell of Co. B. Ala. Infantry, later of Company C, 54th Alabama Infantry, under Captain McCall. In 1949 she transferred her membership to the Jefferson Davis Chapter, San Francisco, California, and established the Confederate record of her grandfather,

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Sherod Gunter Pratt. Married Mr. Miller.

For her membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, she established the record of her Ezell ancestor, Hartwell Ezell of Jasper County, Georgia. Her National number is 398476.

a. Harold M. Harwell (1st) Bonnie Ruth Butler  
b: 8-17-1916 at Ward, Alabama b: 10-3-1925  
m: 8-24-1944 San Francisco

1. Brenda Lucille Harwell  
b: 6-1-1945 Oakland, California

a. Harold Harwell (2nd) Kathryn Mankin  
m: 9-15-1951 Panola, Okla. b: 11-21-1923

2. Denise Marie Harwell  
b: 8-8-1957

Harold has been employed as Maintenance Supervisor for Standard Oil Company for thirty years. He lives in Ocean Springs, Mississippi. Is a colonel on the Governor's staff in Mississippi, 1972-1980.

Dinese is a member of the Children of the American Revolution, and Grand Daughters of the Confederacy. She used her Pratt ancestor for this membership. Denise made her debut in the Gulf Coast Debutante Ball December 22, 1975.

b. Ezell Pratt Harwell Louis Hammer  
b: 12-22-1918 b: 10-24-1913  
d: 4-6-1975

Ezell lives in San Francisco, California.

1. Michele Berne Hammer  
b: 12-31-1955

Student at the University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Washington.

2. Michael Eugene Dunn Candace Groshong  
b: 5-15-1946 b: 11-5-1947

His father was Claude Eugene Dunn.

(a) Kristi Lynn Dunn  
b: 1-12-1970  
(b) Kerry Ann Dunn  
b: 12-13-1972.

**II. CHARLIE FIGURES EZELL**

b: 6-24-1879  
d: 1-20-1919  
m: 10-27-1891

Maggie Stallings  
b: 8-9-1876  
d: 3-21-1966

A. Cecil Loyd Ezell  
b: 9-20-1897  
d: 7-18-1940  
m: 5-15-1921

Leslie Virginia Davidson  
b: 6-29-1902

Served in the United States Navy June 18, 1918 to April 14, 1919.  
Seaman 1st Class.

a. Audrey Cecile Ezell Samuel Wyatt Hendrick  
b: 10-19-1922 b: 1-5-1916  
m: 2-1-1942

1. Wyatt Lee Hendrick  
b: 10-10-1969

b. Michael Ezell Martha Faye Schuly  
b: 7-31-1945 b: 6-10-1947  
m: 3-29-1969

B. William Leslie Ezell Ruby Maurine Keen  
b: 3-24-1899 b: 3-29-1904  
m: 1-11-1922

(See dedication page)

a. Ruby Jean Ezell Fred R. Belcher  
b: 11-29-1934

Fred was a Lt. Col. in U.S. Air Force, World War II.

1. Wanda Lynn Belcher  
b: 10-3-1956  
2. Tonga Belcher  
b: 10-1-1964, in Germany.

b. Leslie Jackson Ezell (R.M.T.) Kay Lamberth  
b: 6-11-1936

1. Chad Ezell  
b: 12-31-1972  
2. Tiffanie Ezell  
b: 6-30-1975

c. Betty Jo (Ezell (R.N.)) Tommy Ludens  
b: 9-5-1938 b: 1-21-1936  
m: 6-19-1966

Tommy was Lt. Col. in U.S. Air Force during Vietnam War.

1. Amy Ludens  
b: 11-14-1970 in Tripoli, Lybia  
2. Tommy Ludens  
b: 2-12-1972

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C. Cora Marie Ezell  
b: 9-19-1900  
d: 3-26-1964

Grady A. Owen  
b: 5-15-1895  
U.S. Navy, World War I

a. Ivan Owen  
b: 6-20-1926  
Master Sgt. in World War II

Barbara Carr

1. Laurie Owen  
b: 4-15-1956

b. Travis Owen  
b: 7-7-1932

DeLois Hoolien

Have three adopted children.

D. Charlie Elmo Ezell  
b: 6-8-1902  
m: 8-19-1926

Irene Robison  
b: 7-23-1908

Timber dealer, Thomasville, Clarke County, Alabama.

a. Charlie Elmo Ezell, Jr.  
b: 1-18-1929  
d: 9-13-1965  
m: 9-4-1948

Jimmie Robison  
b: 11-28-1930

1. Roselyn Ezell  
b: 3-4-1950

b. Lois Marie Ezell  
b: 7-2-1927  
m: 1-17-1961

Cleveland Overstreet

1. Kirksey Overstreet  
b: 3-4-1967

E. Raymond Dale Ezell  
b: 5-29-1906  
d: 3-29-1969

Mary Alice McAlpin  
b: 6-27-1934

a. Bobby Dale Ezell  
b: 10-8-1936  
m: 5-25-1956

Karon Harwell

1. Deloach Ann Ezell  
b: 1-5-1961

2. Sandra Lynn Ezell  
b: 2-25-1963

3. Mary Denise Ezell  
b: 8-29-1965

b. David Wayne Ezell  
b: 10-22-1946  
m: 8-25-1968

Linda Dale McCann

1. Jeffrey Raymond Ezell  
b: 10-31-1975

F. Lorena Ezell  
b: 1906  
d: 1908

G. Roy Marvin Ezell  
b: 6-4-1908  
m: 1-12-1925

Mary Tate  
b: 1-1-1911

Roy was in the U.S. Air Force May 1945 and discharged M. Sgt. September 1952. Timber and deed man for T. R. Miller Lumber Company, Brewton, Alabama.

a. Robert Marvin Ezell  
b: 4-3-1927  
m: 7-4-1949

Florence Terry  
b: 4-9-1930

1. Robert Terry Ezell  
b: 1-5-1952

2. Mary Elizabeth Ezell  
b: 10-15-1954

3. Susan Jean Ezell  
b: 9-12-1959

4. David Leslie Ezell  
b: 6-27-1964

H. Maggie Mae Ezell  
b: 6-6-1911  
m: 2-6-1927

H. P. Moody  
b: 6-20-1906

Resides in Selma, Dallas County, Alabama.

a. Patricia Moody  
b: 3-25-1937  
m: 4-7-1954

Derril Clements  
b: 4-20-1934

1. Glen Moody Clements  
b: 5-3-1957

2. Terri Clements  
b: 11-19-1961

3. Vickie Clements  
b: 10-21-1967

4. Kim Clements  
b: 8-9-1972

b. Charles Moody  
b: 3-21-1941  
Single



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I. John D. Ezell  
b: 12-29-1915  
m: 4-19-1936

Lois Parker  
b: 11-25-1915

John D. lives in the vicinity of Ward, Sumter County, Alabama. He is one of few large cotton planters now operating in this part of Alabama.

a. Charlie Ezell  
b: 11-12-1938  
m: 12-24-1964

Mary Ester Perez  
b: 9-20-1942

Charlie is an electronic engineer. He was co-owner and operator of Radio Station WYLS, located between Livingston and York, Sumter County, Alabama, from its establishment until April, 1976. He lives in the same beautiful valley where his father, John D. lives.

1. John Thomas Ezell  
b: 2-1-1967
2. Norman Parker Ezell  
b: 3-27-1970

**III. MARION SHIRLEY EZELL**

b: 4-13-1881  
d: 7-31-1957  
m: 7-7-1901

Mary Lou Williams  
b: 9-15-1883  
d: 5-31-1949

Marion moved from Alabama to Cleburne, Texas, about 1900 to work on the Kady Railroad. There he married Mary Lou Williams.

A. Thomas James Ezell  
b: 8-24-1902  
m: 11-27-1921

Thelma Fay Sharl  
b: 1-16-1903

a. Verna Imogene Ezell  
b: 8-3-1925

(1st) Allen Key

1. Thomas Allen Key  
b: 10-16-1944

Helene

- (a) Suzette Key  
b: 1969
- (b) Tamara Key  
b: 1971

2. Larry Wallace Key  
b: 10-11-1949  
m: 1973

Linda Stephenson

- (a) Leah Ruth Key  
b: 1-15-1976

a. Verna Imogene Ezell

(2nd) Lorenzo Dow Young  
b: 9-26-1921

3. Charles James Young

b: 11-26-1953

4. Ronald Dow Young

b: 3-31-1955

m: 1975

5. William Harrison Young

b: 4-28-1956

d: 4-28-1956

b. Thelma Lorraine Ezell

Walter Dale Newton

b: 1-19-1927

m: 7-3-1947

1. Michael Dale Newton

b: 2-18-1952

2. Nancy Ann Newton

b: 7-3-1954

3. Mark Lee Newton

b: 1-16-1956

c. Thomas Raymond Ezell

(1st) Inge Wildgrube

b: 12-1928

1. Doris Annamarie Ezell

Kenneth Hart

b: 9-2-1947

(a) David Christopher Hart

(b) Danielle Annamarie Hart

2. Michael Raymond Ezell

Vickie

b: 9-29-1950

(a) Michael Raymond Ezell II

b: 1972

(b) Kristine Lynn Ezell

b: 1974

3. Deborah Susanne Ezell

Victor McBroom

b: 5-25-1953

(a) Heather Lynn McBroom

b: 1973

(b) Christopher Vaughn McBroom

b: 1974

(c) Curt Vincent McBroom

b: 5-1976

c. Thomas Raymond Ezell

(2nd) Barbara Davis

No issue



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c. Thomas Raymond Ezell (3rd) Millie Johnke  
Thomas Raymond adopted his wife Millie's three Johnke children.

1. Julie
2. Jinnefir
3. Joel

d. William Marion Ezell Virgie Rymple  
b: 1-25-1932 b: 10-19-1934

1. Terry Lynn Ezell David Wood
- (a) Jennifer Lynn Wood  
b: 1975
- (b) Caynon Leigh Wood (twin)  
b: 1975

e. Mary Yvonne Ezell Fred D. Galloway  
b: 6-9-1935 b: 8-25-1933

1. Fred Dale Galloway, Jr. Mary  
b: 10-10-1953
2. Darrell Eugene Galloway Mary Ellen  
b: 5-25-1955
3. Deborah Eileen Galloway  
b: 7-9-1957
4. Dealra Colleen Galloway  
b: 4-10-1959
5. Lori Ann Galloway  
b: 5-31-1960
6. Terry Lynn Galloway  
b: 10-6-1961
7. Donna Jean Galloway  
b: 8-26-1964

B. Elizabeth Ezell John William Houx  
b: 1-12-1911 b: 2-25-1907

Elizabeth was born in Walter, Cotton County, Oklahoma and John was born in Polo Pinto, Polo Pinto County, Texas. He is now retired.

a. Nancy Jo Houx, R.N. Charles Riley Adams  
b: 5-13-1931 b: 5-4-1933  
m: 7-3-1952

Nancy Jo was born in Chackusha, Oklahoma and Charles was born in Anna, Collen County, Texas. He was in the armed froces and is a carpenter.

1. Paul Thomas Adams  
b: 11-1-1953 in Pruitt, Kansas

2. John Peter Adams  
b: 11-26-1956 in Dallas, Dallas County, Texas.

b. John Coleman Houx Shirley Joyce Rotramel  
b: 10-28-1933 b: 8-7-1935  
m: 3-3-1956

John Coleman was born in Chukusha, Oklahoma. He served in the Armed Froces 1954-1955. Shirley was born in Drumright, Oklahoma. She is a secretary.

1. John Gregory Rotramel  
b: 10-4-1956 in Houston, Texas
2. Janie Elizabeth Rotramel  
b: 12-12-1963 in Dallas, Texas

C. John Coleman Ezell Exa Lea Rollins  
b: 10-28-1904  
m: 12-25-1924

John Coleman's father, Marion and family moved from Cleburne, Texas to Watters, Oklahoma in 1905 and from there to Chickasha, Oklahoma in 1923.

John was employed as a boilermaker with Rock Island Railroad for twenty years. He and Exa Lea were married December 25, 1924 in Chickasha. They now reside in El Reno, Oklahoma. He is self employed in the furniture and appliance business.

Their children gave them a reception on their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

a. Joy Lea Ezell Edward Lee Miller  
b: 7-20-1927  
m: 6-3-1950

Joy attended El Reno, Oklahoma schools through Junior College and spent a short time at Oklahoma State.  
Joy and Edward Lee were married at Tinker Air Force Base in the Chapel, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Ed served as a pilot in the U.S. Air Force from 1942-1950. He is a geologist with Marathon Oil Co. at Research Center, Littleton, Colorado.

1. Edward Douglas Miller Angela Ann Engle  
b: 3-2-1952  
m: 3-20-1976

Edward is a graduate of the University of Northern Colorado.

2. John Gregory Miller  
b: 12-23-1953

John was born at Oxnard, California and attended Colorado State University.

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3. Michael Wayne Miller  
b: 1-21-1956  
Is a student at Colorado University.
  4. Jeffry James Miller  
b: 10-13-1961
  5. Thomas Carl Miller  
b: 6-21-1963
  6. Dana Lea Miller  
b: 3-3-1967
- b. Jacqueline Frances Ezell  
b: 5-6-1930
- Bobby Darrell Marsden  
b: 9-10-1929
- Bob was a member of the 2nd Armored Division 1946-48, then the 45th Division, 1950-52. He owns and operates his No. 1 Dairy Queen Store in Jacksonville, Florida.
1. Bobby Darrell Marsden, II  
b: 9-18-1950
- Deborah Kaye  
b: 12-3-1951
- Bobby graduated from the School of Journalism in 1973 from the University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida. He owns and operates No. 2 Dairy Queen Store in Jacksonville, Florida.
2. Deborah Kaye Marsden  
b: 12-3-1951
- Robert Joseph Barie  
b: 4-24-1952
- Robert J. was in the 146th Signal Battalion from March 28, 1972-78.
- (a) Jacqueline Christine Barie  
b: 6-2-1970
  - (b) Michael Justin Barie  
b: 3-25-1976
- c. Wayne Coleman Ezell  
b: 4-7-1936
- Gloria Kaye Wells
- Wayne was born in El Reno, Oklahoma. He attended school there through junior college, majoring in business administration. He spent two years in the U.S. Army, and eleven years in the 45th Division. He is now employed as a refrigeration technician.
1. Terry Wayne Ezell  
b: 6-9-1960
  2. Ronnie Joe Ezell  
b: 9-3-1961
  3. Jacquelyn Colene Ezell  
b: 7-6-1965

- D. Faye Ezell  
b: 5-13-1913  
m: 7-5-1943
- Joel Chadwick Wallace  
b: 2-28-1902  
d: 9-15-1974
- Faye lives in Alma, Arkansas
- a. Douglas Bruce Wallace  
b: 4-3-1952
- E. Mary Lou Ezell  
b: 10-17-1915  
m: 12-10-1938
- Charles Laumen Allen McWhorter  
b: 6-27-1913  
d: 11-21-1960
- a. Frances Lou McWhorter  
b: 11-16-1941  
d: 2-23-1975  
m: 1962
- Warren J. Hewes  
b: 10-8-1937
1. Mary Louise Hewes  
b: 6-26-1969
- b. Patricia Ann McWhorter  
b: 2-9-1944  
m: 1958
- (1st) G. T. Kendrick
1. Elizabeth Ann Kendrick  
b: 9-21-1959
- b. Patricia Ann McWhorter  
m: 1961
- Charles Edward Trammell  
(2nd)
2. Charlina Kay Trammell  
b: 7-12-1962
  3. Charles Louis Trammell  
b: 11-15-1963
- E. Mary Lou Ezell  
m: 1-20-1966
- (2nd) John G. Edwards  
b: 9-21-1917
- John was in the U.S. Army 1941-45. They live in Lindsey, Oklahoma.
- F. Marion Shirley Fotch Ezell  
b: 9-7-1916  
m: 5-1919
- (1st) Maureen Givens
- Marion was born in Faxon, Oklahoma, in cotton country. The Fotch in his name is for the Frenchman, Marshal Ferdinand Foch. He is employed by the Postal Service in Crescent City, California. Marion served in the U.S. Army Signal Corp as a radio operator, from April 12, 1944 to January 7, 1947.
- a. Phillip Eugene Ezell  
b: 12-25-1940
- Nancy Harper



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1. Phillip E. Ezell, Jr.  
b: 4-12-1960
2. Dianne Ezell  
b: 9-3-1963

F. Marion Shirley Fotch Ezell (2nd) Ellen Walker Craig  
m: 4-7-1951

Marion has three Craig step children who were very small at the time of his second marriage.

- b. Roy A. Ezell Bea Kits  
b: 12-19-1943
1. Vickie Ezell
  2. Tamara Ezell
  3. Tory Ezell
  4. Tonya Ezell

c. Jack S. Ezell Kathleen Hiller  
b: 12-3-1947

Jack is employed by a radiator shop in Reno, Nevada. No issue.

- d. Carol Ezell Michael Barker  
b: 11-16-1950
1. Shawn Barker  
b: 1968
  2. Marion Shirley Barker III  
b: 1972
  3. Cory Ellen Barker  
b: 1976

G. Louise Ezell Derrel Truett Thomas  
b: 5-31-1921 b: 10-25-1920  
m: 11-19-1938

They live in Alma, Oklahoma.

- a. William Truett Thomas Marian C. Seller  
b: 9-3-1939 b: 4-10-1939  
m: 6-21-1958
1. Tammi Louise Thomas  
b: 3-21-1959
  2. Derek Allen Thomas  
b: 1-13-1961
  3. Leslie Beth Thomas  
5-2-1964

b. Jerry Dan Thomas Linda Kay Harris  
b: 8-22-1946 b: 1-5-1948  
m: 3-25-1966

Two adopted children

1. Bradley Truett Thomas  
b: 7-12-1969
2. Krista Kay Thomas  
b: 1-19-1970

IV. ALICE ETOIL EZELL Charley Neal Allen  
b: 9-12-1885 b: 3-25-1880  
d: 1-24-1924 d: 6-24-1948  
m: 11-3-1907

An account in the Sumter County paper says of the wedding of Miss Alice Ezell and Mr. Charley N. Allen, "A beautiful wedding took place near Gaston, Sumter County, Alabama at the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. C. Ezell on November 3, 1907 . . . The bride is one of Sumter's prettiest girls, and the groom a popular business man of Cuba, Alabama where they will make their home." — Witness.

A. Ruth Allen Joseph C. Baskins  
b: 11-6-1911 Marion, Ala.  
m: 1-30-1931

- a. Charles Robin Baskins  
b: 10-24-1933
- b. David Starling Baskins  
b: 11-27-1940

B. Willard Allen Grace Hardin  
b: 11-28-1915 b: 6-25-1920  
m: 7-30-1938

Willard is a prominent farmer and cotton gin operator. He lives between Ward and Cuba, Alabama.

- a. William Neal Allen  
b: 5-28-1943
- b. Alice Vivian Allen Donald J. Welch  
b: 10-2-1947  
m: 9-2-1966, Kinterbish, Sumter County, Alabama
1. Donald Allen Welch  
b: 4-4-1972

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C. Charles Allen  
b: 5-31-1917  
m: 12-16-1945

Rowena Pigford  
b: 10-7-1920

Charles was inducted into the 169th Infantry Regiment, 43rd Division on May 16, 1942. He received a gunshot wound in the South Pacific, January 17, 1945. He was discharged May 6, 1946.

He received the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with four Bronze Stars; Purple Heart; Phillipine Liberation Ribbon with one Bronze Star; Good Conduct Medal; Combat Infantryman Badge; Victory Medal; American Theatre Medal; and two Bronze Arrowheads.

- a. Charles Edgar Allen  
b: 3-24-1949  
m: 5-31-1969
- b. William Loyd Allen  
b: 2-6-1952  
m: 12-21-1975

Betty Jean Galloway  
b: 12-20-1961

Elizabeth Posey  
b: 6-24-1951

**V. GEORGE WHITE EZELL**

b: 6-25-1889  
m: 12-20-1908

Resides in Elgin, Oklahoma.

- A. Irene Ezell  
b: 3-16-1910  
m: 7-10-1929

Irene was born in Gaston, Alabama, and resides in Elgin, Oklahoma.

- a. Mary Winifred Lodes  
b: 8-15-1931  
m: 6-9-1956
  - 1. Patricia Arlene Wahkinney  
b: 7-22-1949
  - 2. Richard James Wahkinney  
b: 6-9-1950
  - 3. Mary Collins Wahkinney  
b: 9-6-1954
  - 4. Michael Alan Wahkinney  
b: 2-6-1956
  - 5. Elizabeth Ann Wahkinney  
b: 7-10-1967

- b. Richard John Lodes  
b: 6-29-1934  
m: 6-9-1956

Richard John Lodes  
b: 12-11-1905  
d: 5-9-1948

Collins Wahkinney

Mary Ladell Wades

- 1. Richard John Lodes III  
b: 9-20-1957
- 2. Scott Michael Lodes  
b: 4-5-1959
- 3. Brent Wade Lodes  
b: 4-25-1962

c. Elizabeth Ann Lodes  
b: 1-12-1936  
d: 1-13-1936

d. George Michael Lodes Janice Marie McDaniel Moody  
b: 12-2-1941  
m: 10-14-1967

- 1. Becky Michelle Lodes  
b: 2-10-1969
- 2. Andrew Michael Lodes  
b: 1-13-1970
- 3. Deana Kay Moody Lodes  
b: 4-15-1966

Deana Kay was adopted in September 1971 by George Michael Lodes in Norman, Oklahoma.

B. Evelyn Ezell Thomas Walton Skinner  
b: 9-23-1911 b: 7-1-1894  
m: 12-7-1943 d: 5-4-1959

Evelyn has no children. She lives in Elgin, Oklahoma.

C. William Coleman Ezell  
b: 8-7-1913  
m: 3-8-1936

Lydia Ann Burnett  
b: 3-26-1919

a. Alma Jean Ezell  
b: 10-10-1936  
m: 6-11-1954

Claude Daniel Mansel  
b: 10-23-1936

- 1. Claudia Jean Mansel  
b: 10-23-1956

Civil Service employee

- 2. Cynthia Jean Mansel  
b: 9-9-1960
- 3. Melissa Kay Mansel  
b: 2-27-1964

b. David Coleman Ezell  
b: 2-8-1940  
m: 8-25-1961

Betty June Miller  
b: 1-13-1939



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<p>David and Betty both have civil service jobs and operate a farm in Elgin, Oklahoma.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Deborah Ann Ezell b: 6-26-1962</li> <li>2. Sherri Rae Ezell b: 1-29-1966</li> <li>c. Gary DeWayne Ezell b: 7-24-1955</li> </ol> <p>Gary attends Tulsa Oklahoma University on a baseball scholarship. He has been drafted by the Cleveland Indians twice and has received several baseball honors and awards.</p>	<p>John Coleman Ezell m: 3-28-1897</p> <p>(2nd) Anna Elder Tew b: 1860 d: 1939</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Ronald Richard Lodes b: 11-16-1943</li> </ol> <p>Is employed by civil service and is a master plumber.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rhonda Lynn Lodes b: 11-1962</li> <li>2. Carolyn Michelle Lodes b: 8-15-1965</li> <li>3. Evelyn Kathryn Lodes b: 9-23-1967</li> <li>4. Brande Ronnie Lodes b: 2-18-1976</li> </ol> <p>b. Billy Charles Lodes b: 7-31-1951 m: 7-1971</p> <p>Billy Charles is a civil service employee and Deborah is employed by South Eastern Bell Telephone.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tiffany Ranae Lodes b: 10-25-1974</li> <li>c. Evelyn Kay Lodes b: 8-28-1957</li> </ol> <p>Evelyn attends Cameron University, Lawton, Oklahoma.</p>	<p>VI. <b>JOHN COLEMAN EZELL, JR. [Jake]</b> b: 3-7-1892 d: 9-24-1962 m: 7-5-1912</p> <p>Mira Myree Hearn b: 4-9-1893</p> <p>J. C. and Myree were both born near Ward, Sumter County, Ala., and lived there until he retired. They then made their home at York, Sumter County, Alabama.</p>
<p>D. Billie Kathryn Ezell m: 9-1-1941</p> <p>Albert Raymond Lodes b: 4-30-1916</p> <p>Albert is employed by civil service and operates a farm. They live in Lawton, Oklahoma.</p>	<p>A. Rodney Coleman Ezell b: 3-19-1914 m: 1934</p> <p>Ruth Malone</p> <p>Rodney is employed by the Texas Utility Company.</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Rodney Coleman Ezell, Jr. b: 3-20-1940 m: 7-16-1961</li> </ol> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Laurie Melissa Ezell b: 10-13-1964</li> <li>2. Mitchell Ezell b: 2-29-1968</li> </ol> <p>b. Carrol Kay Ezell 5-3-1919</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rodney Thomas Franklin b: 6-22-1960</li> <li>2. Robert Stacey Franklin b: 9-18-1967</li> </ol> <p>B. Martha Viola Ezell b: 9-9-1921 m: 7-10-1939</p> <p>Martha owns and operates the "Martha's Dress Shoppe," York, Sumter County, Alabama.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. John H. Rogers b: 4-9-1940 m: 7-1951</li> </ol> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mark Howard Rogers b: 12-26-1965</li> <li>2. Windy Kathryn Rogers b: 1-12-1966</li> </ol>	<p>Carolyn Sue Ray b: 12-30-1943</p> <p>Howard Elton Franklin</p> <p>Wallace H. Rogers (Will) b: 10-26-1918 Served in U.S. Navy</p> <p>Judy Stegall b: 10-21-1945 Emelle, Ala.</p>

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b. Linda Diane Rogers  
b: 8-13-1947  
m: 12-20-1964

Charles A. Duke  
b: 10-4-1943  
McWilliams, Alabama

1. Terrance Allen Duke  
b: 8-3-1966
2. Jake Waters Duke  
b: 5-5-1974

C. Beverly Gay Ezell  
b: 6-15-1930

James W. Shelton, Jr.  
b: 3-2-1928

Paducah, Kentucky, U.S. Army 1947-48

a. Brenda Kay Shelton  
b: 1-16-1950  
Sault Marie, Michigan

Bruce W. Hawkins  
b: 5-30-1950

1. Tanya Marie Hawkins  
b: 1-25-1973  
Lawton, Oklahoma
2. Carol Myree Hawkins  
b: 8-4-1959  
Andalusia, Alabama
3. James W. Hawkins, III  
b: 12-11-1961  
Kansas City, Missouri

D. Billy Hearn Ezell  
b: 9-2-1937  
m: 7-21-1945

Nancy Behrenbrinker  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Billy Hearn is employed by Miller Lumber Company, York, Sumter County, Alabama.  
No issue.

E. Eddie Bell Ezell  
b: 6-9-1932  
m: 8-8-1954

Julia Lanae Gullett  
b: 11-28-1933

Eddie is president of First Federal Savings & Loan, Phenix City, Alabama.

- a. Mary Julia Ezell  
b: 6-4-1957
- b. Jeffery Coleman Ezell  
b: 8-6-1959
- c. Sandra Ellen Ezell  
b: 6-14-1961
- d. Daniel Bertram Ezell  
5-16-1967

**VII. EARL PRATT EZELL**

b: 2-13-1898  
d: 8-12-1917

Pratt was in training U.S. Navy at Great Lakes, Illinois, died before finished basic training.

**VIII. CLAUDE GILMORE EZELL**

b: 1-28-1902  
m: 1-11-1922.

Frederica Danvis  
b: 12-13-1903

Claude was conservation officer for State of Alabama from October 1, 1936 until he returned February 1, 1967. Lives at Ward, Sumter County, Alabama.

A. Claude Danvis Ezell  
b: 10-17-1923  
m: 5-5-1961

Mary Ann Hughes  
b: 1-12-1937

Claude graduated from Livingston University in 1951. Was president of the Student Government, member of both football and baseball teams, and listed in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. Is principal of Moore Academy, Pine Apple, Wilcox County, Alabama. Served in U.S. Army from October 1942 to November 1945.

a. Shelly Ann Ezell  
b: 10-20-1964

B. Anna Elizabeth Ezell  
b: 4-24-1925  
m: 1-18-1946

Nelson Eugene Sutton  
b: 7-18-1919  
U.S. Army January, 1942-Nov., 1945

Anna Elizabeth is employed by a trucking company in Indianapolis, Indiana.

a. Carol Kay Sutton  
b: 12-20-1946  
m: 5-14-1965

Harry Frederick Fleener, Jr.  
b: 1-28-1947

1. Amanda Lynn Fleener  
b: 12-2-1967
2. Andy Fleener  
b: 6-16-1970
3. Miranda Fleener  
b: 12-13-1972

b. Sandra Fay Sutton  
b: 11-10-1949  
m: 1-13-1968

Ronald Keith Skirvin  
b: 9-21-1947

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1. Angelia Christine Skirvin  
b: 4-17-1969
2. Woodrow Wilson Skirvin  
b: 10-8-1971

C. Edwin Ezell  
b: 1-24-1928  
m: 1-10-1957

Bonnie Seaborn

Edwin served in the U.S. Navy. He has worked with the Alabama Department of Conservation for twenty six years. Lives in Clayton, Alabama.

- a. Ronald Edwin Ezell  
b: 8-10-1958
- b. Tani Lynn Ezell  
b: 2-7-1959

D. Edwina Ezell  
b: 1-24-1928  
m: 8-17-1951

Raymond E. Meador  
b: 9-28-1925

Edwina teaches school in Pensacola, Florida. Raymond served in the U.S. Navy 1943-46.

- a. Raymond Edwin Meador, Jr., (Chip)  
b: 8-30-1952
- b. Suzanne Meador  
b: 8-7-1954
- c. Sherri Elizabeth Meador  
b: 10-7-1960
- d. Sandra Kaye Meador  
b: 9-23-1964

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### Edwin Hawkins Ezell

Edwin Hawkins (Eddie)  
b: 4-17-1850  
d: 5-12-1912  
m: 12-15-1874

Sue A. Smith  
b: 6-14-1854  
d: 3-8-1951

Edwin was the youngest son of John and Martha M. Ezell. When he and Sue married they continued to live in the Beville Community in Choctaw County, Alabama. There they reared eleven of their twelve children, one having died in infancy. Eddie, as he was called, was a farsighted man who believed in each child having the freedom to work out his own ambition and destiny. He was of the old school, demanding, but kind in his ways. A good husband and father. Some of his father's slaves stayed on the plantation, where he continued to live, until his death in 1912 and with "Miss Sue and Dewey" until they moved to Texas. He gave one former slave, Clark Ezell, forty acres of land and a mule.

Eddie is buried in Christopher's Chapel Cemetery in Choctaw County, Alabama. Miss Sue is buried in Hamlin, Texas.

#### I. EDWIN WALTON EZELL

b: 3-27-1875  
d: 6-11-1899

Buried in Christopher's Chapel Cemetery

#### II. JOHN GARLAND EZELL

b: 12-15-1877  
d: 12-15-1943  
m: 12-17-1902

Willie Leslie Ingram (1st)  
Mrs. Cargil (2nd)

John Garland is buried in Phoenix, Arizona.

A. John Garland Ezell, Jr.

a. Virgil Ezell  
b: 6-1-1947  
m: 6-17-1972

Connie Lee Ann Calvert  
b: 1-15-1954

Virgil owns and operates a Shell Gas Station in Buckeye, Arizona.



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1. Wyatt Virgil Calvert  
b: 6-27-1975

**III. JAMES WILLIAM EZELL**

b: 8-22-1879  
d: 8-19-1944  
m: 3-11-1903

Buried in Hamlin, Texas.

Lela Tate  
d: 4-11-1950

**IV. WILLIAM ROBERT EZELL**

b: 4-18-1881  
d: 8-18-1933  
m: 8-2-1908

Buried in Pasadena, California.

A. William Robert, Jr.

Jessie Lee Prather

**V. CHESTER LEROY [Lee] EZELL**

b: 2-27-1883  
d: 1-25-1970

Ida May Nelson  
b: 10-1883  
d: 1-3-1974

Lee and Ida May lived in El Paso, Texas most of their married life. He operated a large farm. During World War I he was in Washington, D.C. on a special assignment for the government. They are both buried in Hamlin, Texas.

A. Edward Nelson Ezell.  
b: 7-6-1907  
d: 6-7-1926

Nelson was killed in a motorcycle accident amonth before his nineteenth birthday.

B. Nancy Sue Ezell  
b: 3-10-1909  
m: 11-22-1930

Irvin Cone  
b: 2-20-1902

a. Susan Lemay Cone  
b: 9-21-1940  
m: 7-27-1963

Robert Shelton Irwin  
b: 8-16-1937

1. Robert Steven Irwin  
b: 1-21-1968
2. Richard Cone Irwin  
b: 1-27-1971

b. John Steve Cone  
b: 11-5-1943  
m: 1-28-1967

Anne Foster  
b: 6-18-1943

1. Michael Kenyon Cone  
b: 10-29-1971
2. Darren Matthew Cone  
b: 10-16-1973

**VI. SUSIE MARTHA EZELL**

b: 3-10-1885  
d: 6-13-1969  
m: 1-31-1906

William Henry Gilbert  
b: 3-1-1879  
d: 11-20-1917

Susie changed her name to Susie Mae. She attended Girls Industrial College, now Montevallo University, at Montevallo, Alabama, and taught school for a short while. She and Henry Gilbert were married in 1906 at Beville, Choctaw County, Alabama. They made their home in Columbiana, Alabama where Henry was superintendent of schools. They moved to Knox City, Texas in 1908 and later that year moved to Hamlin, Texas, where Henry became a jeweler. They had two children, William and Edwina. After Henry's death in 1917 Susie Mae became a postal clerk, retiring in 1949 after thirty years of service. She was active in the First Methodist Church, serving as a member of the Board of Trustees for fourteen years. She moved to Abilene, Texas to be near her son. Following his death in 1961 she moved to Westfield, New Jersey to make her home with her daughter, Edwina and family. She died June 13, 1969 and is buried in the family plot in Hamlin, Texas.

A. William Gilbert  
b: 12-21-1907  
d: 4-5-1961

B. Edwina Gilbert  
b: 3-12-1911  
m: 11-16-1946

Charles Edward Holder  
b: 8-4-1915

Edwina is a music teacher, and they live in Westfield, New Jersey.

a. Deborah Sue Holder  
Adopted  
b: 11-14-1950  
m: 8-21-1971

Richard Kister Eherta, Jr.  
b: 1-24-1948

1. Kenneth Charles Eherta  
b: 8-17-1975



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**VII. LOUIS WHITE EZELL**

b: 1-15-1887  
d: 11-15-1940

Never married, buried in Hamlin, Texas.

**VIII. DANNIE DONALDSON EZELL**

b: 10-3-1888  
d: 3-26-1916

Buried at Christopher's Chapel, Choctaw County, Alabama.

**IX. MARY ELIZABETH [Mamie] EZELL**

b: 3-16-1890  
m: 3-16-1916

J. Arch Morris  
b: 12-11-1887  
d: 8-22-1968

Mamie has lived and reared her family near Hamlin, Texas. Since the death of her husband she is living with her daughter, Lone Cheshier. She is confined to a wheelchair because of injury received in a fall.

A. Latina Morris  
b: 12-23-1916  
m: 11-16-1941

a. James Onis Crawford  
b: 12-5-1945

1. Leesa Lynn Crawford  
b: 12-31-1975

b. Robert Morris Crawford  
b: 3-16-1949  
m: 12-27-1972

c. Latina Mignon Crawford  
b: 7-29-1952  
m: 1-1-1975

B. Lone Morris  
b: 2-28-1918  
m: 9-16-1936

a. Barbara Ann Cheshier  
b: 10-18-1941  
m: 8-28-1965

1. Elaine Annette Clark  
b: 6-29-1970  
2. Ann Lynette Clark  
b: 12-22-1972

Onis Crawford  
b: 1-1-1917

Cheryl

Judy

Bobby Brown

Wayne N. Clark

W. J. Cheshier, Jr.  
b: 1-27-1915  
d: 1-1-1960

b. Barry Lee Cheshier  
b: 3-6-1944  
m: 8-10-1968

1. Jefferson Daniel Dallenger  
b: 9-12-1974

Donovan Collye

c. Crystal Joye Cheshier  
b: 12-15-1954  
m: 7-21-1973

C. J. Arch, Jr., Morris  
b: 12-9-1919  
m: 10-11-1961

Martha Whitaker  
b: 2-22-1908

No issue.

D. Oleta Morris  
b: 6-29-1922  
m: 7-9-1945

Charles Penzenek (Chuck)  
b: 12-9-1921

Charles lived in Czechoslovakia a number of years. He served in World War II. He and Oleta met in California and were married in San Rafael after he returned from the Pacific. They now live in Mineral Wells, Texas. Charles has retired from the Texas Army National Guard. He received the Army Commendation Medal and Army Meritorious Service Medal.

a. Helen Elizabeth Penzenek  
b: 5-27-1951  
m: 5-29-1974  
b. Debra Jo Penzenek  
b: 5-19-1959

Michael D. Gaddis  
b: 8-28-1950

**X. DANIEL THOMPSON EZELL**

b: 12-21-1891  
d: 4-30-1962  
m: 8-25-1915

Mattie Beatrice Pope  
d: 1975

**XI. HERBERT L. EZELL**

b: 10-1-1893  
Lives in Overton, Texas.

A. Billie Grace Ezell

(1st) Beulah Owens  
(2nd) Georgia Garrett

Boots Donovan

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**XII. GEORGE DEWEY EZELL**

b: 5-6-1898  
m: 4-30-1922

Ruth Gaynell McDonald  
b: 2-23-1898

George started his career working in his brother Lewis' drug store, went from there to a copper mine in Globe, Arizona. He really settled down when employed by the First State Bank of Electra, Texas. In 1918 was in Officers Training Corps when the First World War Armistice was signed.

After the stock market crash in 1929, that closed up most of the banks, George moved to San Diego and established himself in the automobile service business in Long Beach, California, from which he retired in 1958. Served on the city council and board of water commissioners, was president twice.

Since retirement he and his family have traveled via trailer in 33 countries, including Beirut, Lebanon, the Holy Land, Istanbul, Turkey, where their daughter, Patti, was stationed, and Morocco. They have toured every state, Mexico, Canada and Yucatan.

Ruth is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and a Genealogist.

They are now at home in Los Alamitos, California.

A. Patricia Ruth Ezell  
b: 4-1-1925

Patricia Ruth served in United States Information Service, was stationed in Istanbul, Turkey at one time. Now lives in Washington, D.C.

B. Jacqueline Ezell  
b: 7-9-1927  
m: 9-17-1947

Dan Bradley Weltz  
b: 7-9-1925

a. Dana Georgine Weltz  
b: 9-24-1951  
m: 3-29-1975

Daniel Lloyd Bybee  
b: 7-31-1951

b. Shauna Patrice Weltz  
b: 7-5-1954

## Chapter 7

### Related Families

#### Figures

Martha Matilda Figures Ezell Walton Catterlin was the daughter of Major Thomas Figures, who was born in 1786 in North Carolina, and Elizabeth Walker Coleman, born September 2, 1785 in Elbert County, Georgia, but was living in Tennessee when she and Major Thomas Figures were married in 1807 in Maury. They then moved to Coffeetown, Clarke County, Alabama in 1810.

Most of the following information is found in Rev. T. H. Ball's, "Clarke County and Its Surroundings," copyrighted in 1879, and republished in 1973 by the Clarke County Historical Society, pp. 236 and 328.

Thomas was a Major in the Indian War of 1816 under the command of General Coffee. (Owen's Dictionary of Alabama Biography.) He and Elizabeth had four sons: William Bibb, born in 1820, James T. born in 1824, Charles C. born January, 1816, and John W. They also had three daughters: one married James Thornton, one married Malcolm McCorquodale, and Martha Matilda, who married John Ezell of Choctaw County.

William Bibb moved to Huntsville, Alabama and became proprietor of the Huntsville Advocate. He died October 1, 1872.

John W. was a merchant in Coffeetown, for many years. He died February 4, 1868.

Charles C. died young, April 6, 1855. He left three minor children, Gale, Cornelia, and Henrietta. (Clarke County, Alabama Estate Records.) Henrietta became the third wife of Captain David H. Smith, father of Rosa Anna, who married Charles Thomas Ezell.

James T. studied the printing business in Huntsville, presumably with his brother, William Bibb, and in Lebanon, Tennessee. He returned to Grove Hill, Clarke County, Alabama in 1850 and became part owner and editor of the Grove Hill Herald. Rev. Ball wrote that he was an excellent printer and vigorous, energetic editor.

In the autumn of 1853 an epidemic of yellow fever struck Grove Hill and Clarke County. Many residents left the county to avoid the fever, but James T. Figures, then not quite thirty years old, elected to stay and engaged in the "work" of nursing the sick with a cheerfulness and earnestness that would do honor to Christian Charity. Most willingly he discharged his duty, until he was prostrated by the disease and died in 1853.



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South Carolina. He was foreman of a plantation there. Presumably he had married a second time before he came to Alabama, as the Choctaw County census of 1880 lists him 49 and Luticia 49 F., born in North Carolina. Captain Smith died April 12, 1895 and he and Luticia are buried in Christopher's Chapel Cemetery. There are no dates readable on her tomb.

The three sons born to his first wife Jane were:

Henry Thompson Smith

b: 6-9-1849

d: 11-27-1919

Henry spent most of his life in Anniston, Alabama. He had one daughter, Bertie. Have no record of his wife.

John Calvin Smith

b: 1-25-1852

d: 12-20-1912

John lived at the old home place near Desotenville, Choctaw County, Alabama. He never married and is buried in Christopher's Chapel Cemetery.

William Walker Smith

b: 1-31-1854

d: 12-21-1918

m: 11-3-1885.

They lived in Choctaw County a number of years but the last years were spent in Meridian, Mississippi.

Sarah May Smith

b: 11-30-1892

m: 8-6-1924

Sarah taught school in the Meridian, Mississippi, City Schools, and Will was employed by the Meridian Gas Company. They continue to live in Meridian since their retirement.

The David Smith Bible lists two other children, Martha Jane, born January 19, 1856 and Charles Edward born December 15, 1858. It is assumed that they did not come to Choctaw County, as there is no other record of these two.

David's third wife was Henrietta Figures, a neice of Martha Figures Ezell. Their son was Charles Figures, born January 5, 1879. Sarah does not know where he went from Choctaw County.

David married two other wives. There is no record of who they were, but Henrietta and the last two were buried under the crepe myrtles at the Smith home which was located near Desotenville, Choctaw County, Alabama on what is now Choctaw County Public Road No. 32, and the property is owned by Howard Christopher and his sister, Mrs. C. O. Graves, of Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama.

A review of the quarterly conference minutes of the Gaston Circuit,

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*Mrs John T Allen's Book*

Demopolis District Alabama Conference, Methodist Church from March 1872 to November 1883 reveals that D. H. Smith was a Steward or Trustee of the circuit every year, but the record does not give which church they were members of. Since Christopher's Chapel church was the closest one and since he is buried there, it is to be presumed that his membership was there. His attendance at the quarterly meetings was regular.

Luticia, his second wife, is also buried at Christopher's Chapel. There are no dates on her tomb. In the minutes of the fourth quarterly conference of 1875 the notice of the death of Sister Smith is given. That must have been Luticia, as the record for the fourth quarterly conference of 1877 lists Henrietta Smith, David's third wife, as being received into membership by letter.

The notice of Henrietta's death is given in the minutes of the first quarterly conference record of 1879, and of her son, Charles Figure Jackson Smith, being baptized in the third quarterly minutes of that year.

#### Other Ezells

A William J. Ezell bought land in T 15 N-R-2W-SW½ of SE½ on November 3, 1854, patent number 14694.

In the 1840 census, Sumter County, p. 50 is listed:

William Ezell M. 1-20-30

F. 2 under 5.

I found no record in Choctaw County for 1850, but the census of 1860, page 470, line 28 shows:

Ezell W. J. 34 M. Real Estate \$7,000 and born in Alabama.

Margaret 24 F.

Ada 6 F.

Walker 2M.

The Choctaw County census of 1870 shows:

Ezell W. J. 45 M.

Margaret 35 F.

Walker 16 M.

Walker was only two in the 1860 census.

The 1880 census shows only W. J. and Margaret.

Margaret T. Ezell, wife of W. J. Ezell, b: 1-15-1835, d: 7-25-1885 is buried in the Ezell family cemetery, but no record of Ada or Walker.

There is another Ezell family record in the 1850 and 1860 Choctaw County census:

James Ezell, 32 M., Planter R. Est. \$2,000 born, Miss.

Jane, 21 F., born Alabama

Robert, 8 M.

Allis, 1 F.

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*Lucie Lee Allen 36906*

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In the next ten years James must have been very successful as he is listed as a Planter, with Real Estate, \$12,000, Personal, \$27,000. Robert was listed as R. M. and there were three other children, M. T., Albert, and John.

Judge Dan McCall, Jr. lists an R. M. Ezell, and Charles T. Ezell as part of the personnel composing what was known first as the "Griffith Rifle Company," which was formed of young men close around Desotenville, Alabama. This group became a part of the 54th Ala. Reg. of the CSA in 1861. Presumably R. M. is the son of James J. Ezell and listed in the 1860 census as being 17 years old.

No further record of this family is on the Choctaw County census records, nor anywhere else that I can find.

### Slaves

The 1840 Sumter County, Alabama census John Ezell was shown as owning 17 slaves, 11 M. and 6 F. Then in 1850 Choctaw County, Alabama census he is shown as having 13 slaves, 7 M. and 6 F.

The 1860 census lists the families as "B" and not as slaves. There were four families, David Ezell, listed as a farm laborer, born in Alabama, his wife Celia, three girls and one boy. The Samuel family with wife Mary, three girls and one boy. There was Hal, born in North Carolina, his wife Maria born in South Carolina, Adam, born in Alabama and an older woman, Flora, born in North Carolina.

The fourth family was David, born in Virginia, his wife born in Alabama and two girls.

These same black Ezell families are listed in the 1870 Choctaw County, Alabama census.

There was a young negro man, Clark, age 19 on the list. On May 7, 1892 a Clark Ezell bought land in T 15-R-2W Sec. 23-SW¼ of NW¼. Patent No. 11210. This land is near Jachin, Alabama. W. Leslie Ezell remembers this Clark, and thinks he is the one to whom Edwin Garland gave the forty acres and a mule.

On January 8, 1896 a Margaret Ezell (presumably black) bought land in T-15N-Range 2W-Sec. 13-NE¼ of SW¼ and SE¼ of SW¼, patent no. 14751. Margaret T., the wife of William J., had died in 1885.

Descendants of these Ezells still live in North Choctaw County. Many at Cromwell, Alabama. They have nice homes, a number of them brick buildings, and a substantial acreage of good land. Several are teachers in the Choctaw County public schools.

## Chapter 8

### History

The following is a brief history of several towns in Choctaw County that have been influenced greatly by the Ezell family, and one in Sumter County.

#### Desotenville

About the time Choctaw County was formed, a new town sprang up in the northern part. In an area where the old Butler York road crosses the road to a section known as the crossroads, several houses were built, and by July, 1850, a post office was needed.

On July 1, 1850, the town of Barbour was designated as a post office with Noah Barbour serving as postmaster. He served until May 8, 1851, and was paid \$6.83 for his total services. The net proceeds of the post office were \$8.52. This low figure was indicative of the times, because some of the larger post offices showed less than \$50 for a comparative time.

This settlement was apparently started by John Ezell, who came from Jasper County, Georgia, about 1832. As the town began to grow, such outstanding names as McCall, Walton, Ezell, Westcott, Gaston, Ward, Thompson, Taylor, Seales, Moore, Fitch and Smith showed up on the records.

One of the early stores in this community was built by Charles Thomas Ezell about the close of the War Between the States. Another early business was established by Captain David Smith, the great grandfather of C. R. Ezell, then Commissioner of District II.

At one time, the town, which changed its name in the early 1850's to Desotenville, boasted of at least four stores, an academy equal to a high school complete with music, a bar, a cotton gin, a grist mill, several churches, a Masonic Lodge and a blacksmith shop run by a man named Means. It was a typical farm town, depending on agriculture for existence.

An old timer, a Negro named Dock Harris, who is about 88 years old, said that he played baseball on a team from another area against the Desotenville team in about 1900. Harris said that at that time, communities developed baseball teams, and the best players made the team. He recalls that the town had about 500 people living there with two doctors and one dentist. The dentist, he said was a Dr. Rob Le Noir who pulled his first tooth for him in Desotenville.

In the late 1800s, some of the people started to migrate to Mt. Sterling,



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which boasted an outstanding educational system, also a better transportation system.

The Desotoville Masonic Lodge No. 178 was organized on August 19, 1852, and chartered December 8, 1853. This record indicated that the town of Barbour changed its name about 1852 instead of that as indicated in the postal records. The lodge was moved to Lisman, Alabama where most of its members were living at that time. It flourished there until the Depression and forfeited its charter in 1933.

The last postmaster at Desotoville was the late Mrs. W. H. Christopher, who served until about 1907. Her daughter, Mrs. Ina Graves, recalls that for some time her mother rode a horse to another post office to get their mail.

Mrs. Maude Patrick, who lived in Lisman at the time this article was written, and who was an Ezell, recalls that her ancestors were very active in the town and that her grandfather was one of the first masters of the Desotoville Masonic Lodge. Until her death she had one of the old handmade chairs that was used by this Masonic body. It is now in the possession of J. T. Allen Jr., of Cromwell, whose grandfather Allen was also an active member in the Desotoville Lodge.

The only building standing at Desotoville now, is the old McCall home. (From an article in the Mobile Register, marked Special, Butler, and does not have the date nor the reporter's name.)

#### **Mt. Sterling**

As early as 1810 the Tombigbee River settlements had extended as far out to what became the village of Mt. Sterling.

The cheap land, mild climate and good timber attracted good settlers from Georgia, Virginia, Tennessee and North and South Carolina. One of the first settlers was Mr. Sanford E. Catterlin, a northern man. He established a post office October 26, 1838 which he called Mt. Sterling, named for Mt. Sterling, Kentucky.

The Methodist Church was organized in 1854 and the Baptist Church about the same time. Land near the Baptist Church was given to the community of Mt. Sterling as a free burial ground by Judge George F. Smith. Descendants of some of those first settlers are still being interred in this cemetery. A monument has been placed in the cemetery in memory of Judge Smith.

The first school was a small one room school known as the Catterlin School. The first large school on record was the male academy which was established about 1847, and was known as the "Choctaw County Seminary." Mr. George F. Mellen was the first principal.

Mt. Sterling's most noted period as an educational center was during the period between 1869-1890 when the Academy was under the

supervision of Dr. Seth Smith Mellen. During that time the Academy was enlarged and students came from as far as Mobile to enroll.

Many members of these pioneer families are still living in Choctaw County and a number still in the vicinity of Mt. Sterling. Some of the families who made history there are: the Mills, Spinks, Lassiters, Duboses, Allens, Princes, Turners, Bruisters, Dicks, Ulmers, Gaines, Hodges, Hursts, Littlepages, Mellens, Gretttons, Marshalls, Tillmans, Smiths, Williams, Westcotts, Whitteds, Wilcoxes, Jacksons, Sparrows, Adams, and of course, the Ezells.

Charles Thomas had moved from Desotoville to Thompkinsville on the Tombigbee River. In the 1880 census we find his family listed in T ship which is Mt. Sterling. At that time he had five children and made this move for them to have advantage of the Academy.

There he engaged in the mercantile business and farmed. His family was reared there in the house which is now owned by the Turners. In 1912 the Alabama Tennessee & Northern Railroad crossed a plantation he owned at what is now Lisman, Alabama. He moved there, but he nor his children ever forgot their happy days in Mt. Sterling.

(Some of this history is excerpts from "History of Mt. Sterling" by Miss Euba Dubose.)

#### **Lisman**

When Rosa Anna Smith married Charles T. Ezell in 1868 her father, Captain David Smith, bought the O'Hara plantation containing 600 acres, and gave it to her for a wedding present. In 1912 the Alabama Tennessee & Northern Railroad was built through this plantation and Charlie laid off a town and sold lots to interested citizens to develop the town. At that time only one residence was on the farm.

Before the War Between the States, date not known, a Mr. O'Hara built this house of pitch-pine lumber. The foundation is mortised and put together with pins, the flooring is of six inch heart pine. The slaves owned by the O'Hara family lived in cabins arranged close together in the rear. They grew cotton and corn in quantities, also tobacco for their own consumption.

The house had two large rooms with two smaller ones on the rear, and a spacious hall between the rooms. This entire part of the house is ceiled with broad, hand planed heart pine lumber. The kitchen was separate from the house. The house as we see it today is different. After the town of Lisman was started and new houses were built, this one was added to on the front and an ell on the back, but the main body of the house is the same as before the war, and in good state of preservation.

It was owned and occupied by Mrs. C. L. Williams (Susie), a daughter of Charles T. Ezell until her death, and is now owned and occupied by Mr.

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and Mrs. Harry Chester.

The new town was named Lisman by Mr. John T. Cochran, who built the railroad. At one stage of construction Mr. Cochran's funds were exhausted and work on the road was stopped. He made a trip to New York to arrange for money with which to complete the track from Mobile to Reform, Alabama. A Mr. Lisman let him have part of the money, and he promised to name a town on his railroad for him. Charles Thomas agreed that this town could be named Lisman, so in 1912 the tracks were connected there.

The first school was taught in one of the plantation cotton houses until a structure could be built. Miss Mattye Ezell was the first teacher and later her sister Maude taught there.

Church services were held in the "schoolhouse" until a Methodist and a Baptist Church were built in about 1914-16. The same building is being used by the Baptists today, but the Methodists worship in a second church.

Roy Hearn, son of Agnew Ezell, born January 13, 1913 was the first white child born in Lisman.

For many years the town bustled with several planing mills, and lumber was king. Farming was also excellent. At one time the little town had four busy general stores, a post office, a garage, and a two story hotel.

Dr. W. H. Christopher was the first medical doctor to reside in Lisman. Later others practiced there.

The Lisman Training School, with financial help from the Ford Foundation and County Board of Education was built in the early 1920's, for the benefit of the Negro citizens. It is still in operation as a part of the public school system of Choctaw County.

All of Charles Thomas' children followed him to Lisman and some members of their families still live there. John B. and Rainer, Baker's sons, M. T., Sim's grandson, Clark Taylor, Taylor's son and James Walton (Dub) are still in business there. Marvin, Sim's son operated a garage until he retired. Floyd and Lloyd Agnew's twin sons have returned to live there since their retirement. Mrs. Taylor Ezell still maintains her home there.

#### **Lavaca and Lotts Ferry**

Lavaca is a community situated in the Northeast section of Choctaw County on State Highways No. 114 and No. 10 on the south.

Its history dates from Indian habitation to pioneer settlement, to the Cotton Kingdom Era, to the War Between the States, and finally to the present day. The first plantations were settled during the late 1830's. One of the first pioneer families was that of William Davis, Jr., and his wife Mary. They received the first land grant of 1,000 acres made after the removal of the Indians in the early 1830's. Winston Wilcox and his sister,

Hazel Wainright, descendants of the Davis family still live in the community on part of the 1,000 acre grant.

The Davis family operated the local post office for four generations, until 1965 when Hazel Wainright retired. Since then Mary H. Ezell has been postmistress.

When the citizens decided to name the community, Miss Norma Williams, Aunt of Winston and Hazel, had just returned from a visit to Texas. She suggested it be called Lavaca, for Port Lavaca, Texas, so it was.

Lavaca's schools date from a small one on the Tillman place and a one room structure at the Watters home.

There were two houses of worship for the Negroes, the Watter's Mission and Little A.M.E. Zion Church.

Hopewell Baptist Church for the white citizens is one of the oldest in the area, being organized about 1850 for the people of both the Sunshine Community and Lavaca. The present structure was built in 1885.

Names of some of the prominent families are still well known in Choctaw County. The Watters, Tillmans, Norwoods, Chaney's, Sparrows, and Ezells.

The Ezell family is one of the historic families. They have traced their ancestry back to the mid-1600's when the first of the three Ezell brothers came to America.

Charles Agnew, son of Charles Thomas, settled in Lavaca in 1905 in the home now known as the Henry Ezell homeplace. It is on the road then known as the Lotts Ferry Road which led to the Tombigbee River. Agnew operated a country store and farmed. In 1912 he moved his family to Lisman, Choctaw County, Alabama where they lived three years.

His wife, Leona Hearn Ezell died when their twins, Lloyd and Floyd were born, so soon Agnew returned to Lavaca. He farmed, logged, operated a store, presently known as Ezell Grocery, and with E. B. Dozier operated Lotts Ferry, which was the only way to cross the Tombigbee River from Choctaw County to Marengo County. He also had a warehouse for freight brought to Lotts Ferry by steamboat.

At this crossing stood a log house, no one knows how old it is, but before his death, Joe Ferguson, an elderly citizen, said that his father came to this area at the end of the War Between the States and that it was an old house then. It consisted of two large rooms with an open hallway between and an outside kitchen connected by a walkway. The house is built of split pine logs and put together with wooden pegs. People now living remember that at flood times the river rose so high that one could paddle a boat through the hallway.

Agnew and his son, Roy Hearn lived there and farmed the fertile river lands. In 1930, C. A. Jr., joined them. At that time he started fishing commercially. His first customers were the people who crossed the river on the ferry.



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C. A. organized a hunting club that used the camphouse for bunking. He and Mary started to have fish fries by reservation. In 1958 the camp was opened as a full time restaurant. It has been quite successful with Roy as manager and co-owner. At times one can meet people there from a radius of at least two hundred miles.

This business has grown from private fries, to a chain of restaurants, mostly called "Catfish Cabin," with 18 locations in 8 states. The fish market that started under the Camphouse has grown to two modern processing and freezing plants, also a seafood and bait company which supplies restaurants and fisherman throughout the Southeast. C. A. III has been quite helpful in the expansion of the business.

E. Mark Ezell, Sarah Ezell Landrum, and C. A.'s daughter, Mary Ann Hall and their families also live in Lavaca.

The Lotts Ferry is no longer there. In the 1920's, the William B. Compton bridge was built across the Tombigbee and Highway 10 is a very busy road.

Since the American Can Paper Company built the paper mill at Naehola, a number of new people, many from northern states, have moved into the vicinity of Lavaca. They seem to appreciate the heritage of those who came before them, and enjoy helping to preserve the best in the community and to better the worse.

(Excerpts from "Lavaca by William Sherman Faile, and an article on Lotts Ferry by Mary Ann Ezell Hall.)

#### Gaston

When the Creek War broke out in 1812-1814 a large number of people from the Carolinas, Georgia, Virginia, and Tennessee volunteered and came into Alabama to help fight the Indians. These soldiers were so impressed by the country surrendered by the Creeks that they returned in large numbers into that territory, and from 1817-19 the adjoining counties of Perry, Green, and Marengo were settled by these people.

On September 27, 1830 the government of the United States and the leaders of the Choctaw Indian Nation entered into a treaty at a place called Dancing Rabbit Creek, near the present town of Starkville, Mississippi, by which the Indians surrendered their lands east of the Mississippi River and agreed to go to territory allotted them west of the river. The lands surrendered embraced what is now Sumter County. Immediately a great rush of settlers came from the adjoining counties of Green, Marengo, and Perry. The county of Sumter was organized in 1833 and by 1835 practically every section of land in the county had been homesteaded and a patent entered from the Government.

Gaston was a river town, but located twelve miles from the landing of Saktilusa (Black Bluff) on the Tombigbee River. The town really say flush

times in the forties and fifties, the population reached some 2,000 people and its citizens were well educated. Gaston was the home of two colleges, a boy's academy and a girl's academy; it had more schools than any other place in the county and was the center of wealth, culture, and refinement.

After the War Between the States, Old Gaston failed to make a comeback and is now only a memory but its contribution to the development and the progress of the county, the state and the nation will long be felt.

(From an article written by Judge Wilber Dearman of Sumter County, and published in the Meridian Star, July 11, 1960.)

John Ezell came from Augauga County, in the 1830's. Two of his children settled at Gaston. Susan and her husband, George Sidney White lived there until he drowned in Kinterbish Creek. John Coleman settled there to have access to the good school system for his growing family. His home is still standing.

Claude Gilmore, son of John Coleman, still lives on part of the John Coleman lands not far from Gaston.



Charles Thomas Ezell and Rosa Anna Smith Ezell

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It is my hope that the ensuing generations will look back to their forebears with pride and gratitude for their heritage, and that they will add to the illustrious and gallant record of the past.

YOUR INHERITANCE

With the advantages now enjoyed in the Atomic and Space Age (telephone, radio, television, Tel Star, network of super highways, jet and rocket, luxurious ocean liners, highspeed trains, space ships and moon landings) it will require a terrific imagination to think of people living "in the olden days" and progressing under circumstances far different from those known today. Hundreds of years of work and great effort went into the perfection of these things for your comfort and enjoyment. The culmination came in the twentieth century, but the beginning did not come in this generation, the previous, nor any other one. The achievement of no single generation is responsible for the luxuries and comforts which are yours for the flipping of a switch. You are beneficiaries of the result of many, many years of toil and sweat, trial and error, ambition and failure, hope and despair, and because man could foresee a better way of life for humanity, he evolved the scientific experiments which have resulted in today's pattern of living.

And so, by comparison, your progenitors have progressed through each generation and built into you what you are today. You did not go out on your own and accomplish it. It is a combination of all the forces of your forebears flowing into you and giving you the elements of intelligence, integrity, honor, ambition, and the mental equipment to make yourself felt in your generation. You have already received generously from your ancestors. Add your own qualities to what you have received so that posterity may be benefitted. If each generation does not improve over the preceding one and find a better way of life, that generation is not progressing. It is slipping backward, because we do not stand still.

What is your inheritance? Many think of property or money when the word "inheritance" is mentioned. The kind of inheritance which I hope you will evaluate and appreciate is far greater than money and material possessions. You cannot buy or sell it, you cannot earn it, you cannot barter for



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it, you cannot exchange it, nor can you wish for it. It is already yours - your permanent possession, given to you by reason of birth, with all its qualities and powers, duties and obligations, abilities and responsibilities. You will realize, in time, that you do not live for yourself alone. You have an obligation to your forebears and a responsibility to your progeny, to develop yourselves to your highest capacity. Take advantage of every opportunity that comes your way. Set your objectives, pursue your course, and let nothing defeat you. "You are the heir of the past and the hope of the future."

A great deal has been said about the unimportance of your antecedents. You hear, "It doesn't matter who your ancestors were - nobody cares. The important thing is the individual and his accomplishments. He stands on his own merits." A more complete fallacy was never uttered. Perhaps "nobody" does care - but YOU do. You are WHAT you are because of your inheritance from your ancestors. If it is a good inheritance, you have a better chance of making yourself felt, and an advantage of making good in a highly competitive civilization. If the cultural background has been illiterate, ignorant and shiftless, you cannot hope to produce in a generation refined, genteel and "to the manor born" individuals.

Today, the trend is towards "pseudo-equality for everybody": (1) religious, (2) social, and (3) economic. There are to be no barriers of race, creed or color. The feeling is abroad that no one must earn these equalities; they are to be bestowed upon one and all by a benevolent society. Briefly I will say: (1) there is no such thing as religious equality. All great religions are concerned with the soul and its development. Each must find his own way up the spiritual ladder towards ever greater life fulfillments. I believe that the way is straight, the path is narrow, and many shall fall by the wayside. (2) As for social equality and "class distinction," these have existed in all societies since time began. Basic value scales, including social values, have existed in all cultures; and some members and groups in each society have come closer in their struggles to achieving these ideals in living than others. Read the scriptures. Read world history. (3) A society's economic system has to do with the production and distribution of goods and services. Heredity, as

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well as individual motivations, will power and effort have much to do with the capacity to produce, to manage and to serve. And in all societies, economically "a man is worthy of his hire"; no more, no less.

A society such as ours today, may feel, misguided in its benevolence, that through legislation and more legislation class distinction, racial characteristics and economic inequalities will disappear. This will never be. Throughout all history class distinction, biases, and prejudices have been with us; these, too, are an inherent part of the human race.

Emerson said that "an institution is the lengthened shadow of one man." We may apply that to a family, it being the lengthened shadow of parents, grandparents, and our ancestors. Your influence, your religious principles, your health, and your character cast their shadow down to the generations to come after you. You do not pass through life without leaving some influence for good or evil. Which will you leave?

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Abbreviations and Codes

abt.	about
bur.	buried
bk.	book
Co.	county
C.P.	G. E. Cokaynes' (new revised) Complete Peerage Vols. I-XII Part 2, 1910-1959
cs.	census
d.	died
div.	divorced
d.s.	died single
d.s.p.	died without issue
D&W	Deed and Will Book
ibid.	Latin " <u>Ibidem</u> " same source as last reference
K.G.	Knight of the Garter
m.	married
m.b.	marriage bond
NEGHR	New England Historic-Genealogical Register
p.	page; pp. pages
sic.	as written
T.	Tyler's <u>Quarterly Historical and Genealogical Magazine</u>
V.	<u>Virginia Magazine of History and Biography</u> The first figure is the volume, the letter for Va. and the last figure the page; thus, 2V 292 means Vol. 2 of Va. Mag. of History, page 292.
W.	<u>William &amp; Mary Quarterly</u>
W&D.	Wills and Deeds

Numbers at the beginning of chapters following given names designate chronologically the generations. This system continues throughout the genealogy of each family. Generations are designated thus: I, II...; 1, 2...; i, ii...; A, B...; a, b...; 1A, 1B...; 1a, 1b....



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bequeath a Sow. And to Micaell Isriell I give and bequeath a Sow.  
And Timothy Isriell, Senr. I make my hole and sole Executor of goods  
and chattels. In token hereof I have sett my hand this 14th day of  
July Anno Dom., 1677.

his

Signed: Amaro Abords  
mark

Test: Alexander Richardson  
Tho. (T- his mark) Edwards

Surry County, September th, 1677

Proved in Court by the oaths of Alexander Richardson and Thomas  
Edwards and Recorded the 29 (illegible)

Signed: (Illegible)

Probate<sup>33</sup> granted Tim Essoll on Will of Amaro Abords at Southwark  
(Parish) by Mr. Canfield and Mr. Allen 7br 18th 1677.

The date of "7br" means that this was according to the old Roman Calen-  
dar where the year started in March as the 1st month. September would have  
been the 7th month.<sup>34</sup>

These are the only records found of Amaro Abords, but they are impor-  
tant because of the legatees and the Executor.

In establishing the relationship of Timothy Ezell, Sr., Timothy Ezell,  
Jr., and Michael Ezell, proof is found in the will of Stephen Weeks in  
Surry County that Timothy Jr. and Michael were sons of "Timothy Isold" and  
that Mary Braderton was the daughter of Henry Braderton; probably she was  
the daughter of Henry Braderton, Jr., as this will was written in 1676 and  
Henry Braderton, Sr., was born 1615. Stephen Weeks' will<sup>35</sup> is as follows:


In the Name of God Amen, I Stephen Weeks being at present sick &  
weake in body but perfect in memory the Lord be prayesd for it and  
haveing noe certainty of this life, doe hereby these presents make  
my last Will & Testament. That is to say first and Principally I  
commend and bequeath my soule to Jesus Christ, and my body to be  
buried in a Christian manner hoping I shall receive free pardon  
& remission for my sinns, & that I shall be saved by the precious  
blood of Jesus Christ my Mediatour and Redeemer, I thus dispose of

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a... fork in the right ear and a hole and cross on the left ear;  
the other a red cow with a... fork in the right ear and a hole in  
the left ear. The said cows in payment of that lot above mentioned;  
said Holmwood to take away and possess them as he thinks proper  
without objection or molestation from me the said Ezell (Essall), or  
any other person whatsoever. In witness thereof I have set my hand  
this 5th day of March 1652.

Signed  Timothy  
Essall

Tobacco was money or the equivalent during the Colonial period of Virginia. Money was hard to come by in those days and most of it was in the hands of the privileged few. A man without funds had a hard time just to acquire a few shillings, unless he owned land.

Timothy "Easwell" was a tithable in Surry County Virginia in 1668<sup>52</sup>, Timothy "Essell" of Lawns Creek Parish in 1674, Tim. "Essell" in 1678, Tim. "Essell" Sr., in 1683, Lawnes Creek Parish, and Timothy "Ezell" Sr. in 1688. He died between 1688 and 1696, when Mary Essell,<sup>53</sup> probably the widow of Timothy, appeared in Court on 7 July 1696 and made oath that the inventory of his estate was true and perfect. He had no lands, but his estate included 3 cows and calves, 4 barron cows, 3 steers, 6 heifers, 1 yearling, 2 horses, 32 head of hoggs, 1 negro woman and child, 47 pounds of new pewter, 61 pounds of old pewter, 2 feather beds, parcell of clothes, 1 bed and furniture, 1 kettle and skillet, 3 iron potts, 11 chares, 1 couch, 1 table, 2 spinning wheels, parcell of lumber, 4 chests, 2 trunks, 1 pestell and mortar, 2 guns, 1 pistol, 1 sword, 1 pair hand irons, 1 pair tongs, 2 spitts, 1 frying, 1 spaide, 1 drawing knife, 1 handsaw, parcell of lumber, 2 sadles with bridles, parcell of ropes, parcell of books, 2 pr. wooll cardes, 4 bottles, 3 old bed steads, parcell of cotton, 1 hatt brush, 1 old cart and wheels and a small grindstone. The inventory showed no possession of land.

Mary "Ezard"<sup>54</sup> on 9 October 1696 made application for letters of administration on the estate of Timothy Ezard, late of this colony, deceased... which was granted.

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my temporall estate as followeth:

Imp: (sic) I give and bequeath unto Timothy Iseld the son of  
Timothy Iseld one sow shoate, ITEM: I give to his brother Michell  
Isold one sow shoate. ITEM: I give to Mary Braderton, daughter  
of Henry Braderton one sow shoate, also it is my will & desire that  
Timothy Isold & Edwd Tanner may be the prayzers of my estate, &  
the Estate which is remaining, my debts being satisfied I give &  
bequeath to my well beloved wife Mary Weeks & Doe by these present  
make her my sole Executor of this my last will & testament, As  
wittness my hand this 20th of May 1676.

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
Stephen

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Judy  Casse

Surry County Sept. 4th 1677

Proved in Court by the oaths of Jn<sup>o</sup> and Judith

Casse, recorded the 29th 7br,

W. E. Cl, Cur"

For the benefit of others who may be interested in the Bradertons  
(and various spellings of the name), a Thomas Brereton was Burgess in 1682  
from Northumberland County.<sup>36</sup> Mr. Brereton's estate - 24 February 1658 in  
Northumberland County,<sup>37</sup> was recorded 6 October 1668. His widow was Mary  
Brereton. Henry Broroton and wife Sarah were in litigation against Richard  
Hill - 23 November 1706.<sup>38</sup>

On 28 September 1704, Captain Henry Brereton was on the Commission to  
try some Nansatico Indians from Richmond County for a murder which they had  
committed.<sup>39</sup>

The wills of Amaro Abords, July 1677, and of Stephen Weeks, 1677, both  
probated September 1677 named the identical legatees with Timothy "Isriell  
Senr." in Abords' will as sole Executor and Timothy "Isold" in Weeks' to be  
one of the appraisers of his estate.

An earnest effort has been made to find records which might establish  
a relationship between the Abords, Braderton, Ezell and Weeks families, but



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up to this time, nothing has been found. Abords seems to have been a very poor man, as he had no property and left only cows, calves, sows, and earthen vessels - and not many of those. Stephen Weeks left a widow, Mary Weeks, and her legacy was the remainder of his estate, whatever that might have been, after Timothy Jr., Michael Ezell, and Mary Braderton received a "sow shote" each.

No will nor estate settlement has been found for Henry Braderton Sr. in Surry County Virginia.

Mary Essell appeared in Court 7 July 1696, and testified that an inventory of Timothy Ezell Sr.'s estate was correct.

Amaro Abords and Stephen Weeks were not common names, especially Amaro Abords, and this fact suggests that the relationship was not too close or the names of Amaro Abords or Stephen Weeks would have been carried on into the Ezell family. These names do not show up in any of the Ezell branches. Whatever the connection with the Abords, Braderton, Weeks and Ezell families, it was one of affection, confirming a closeness among them.

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<sup>23</sup>John B. Boddie, Col. Surry, p. 182.

<sup>24</sup>John Camden Hotten, Immigrants to America 1600-1700 (Baltimore, 1962), p. 73.

<sup>25</sup>E. T. Davis, Surry Co. Records - 1652-1684, p. 47.

<sup>26</sup>Ibid., p. 57.

<sup>27</sup>John B. Boddie, Col. Surry, pp. 183-184-191.

<sup>28</sup>Surry Co. Order Bk. p. 381.

<sup>29</sup>Surry Co. Wills, Orders, Deeds 1684-1686 (Transcript p. 8)

<sup>30</sup>Ibid., p. 63.

<sup>31</sup>John B. Boddie, Col. Surry, p. 187.

<sup>32</sup>Surry Co. D & W Bk. 2, 1671-1684, p. 141.

<sup>33</sup>Ibid., p. 162.

<sup>34</sup>The World Book Encyclopedia, V. "C", pp. 26-30. Miss Ann Waller Reddy's reports. The Charlotte Observer, 1 Jan. 1965, p. 9A.

<sup>35</sup>Surry Co. W & D Bk. 1671-1684, p. 141.

<sup>36</sup>Lindsay, Colonial Abstracts, p. 67.

<sup>37</sup>Standards Register, Colonial Virginia.

<sup>38</sup>Ibid., p. 78.

<sup>39</sup>Executive Journals of the Council of Virginia, Vol. I, p. 388.

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PART III - CHAPTER 2

GEORGE EZELL AND HIS GRANDSON, WILLIAM EZELL

No Ezell history would be complete without including George Ezell of Colonial Surry. Much speculation has been made by historians as to the relationship of Timothy, the immigrant, and George. He may have been a younger brother, nephew, or cousin of Timothy's, but he was probably not a son, as some seem to think. Timothy was in Virginia about 1650-52. He went back to England and returned to Virginia about 1656 to remain.

George devised his will<sup>40</sup> in Surry County, Virginia, 24 December 1692 and it was proved 11 April 1693. An abstract of the will is:

To my eldest son, George, my land leased to me by Adam Heath, lying and being in Charles City County, near the head of upper Chipoakes Creek, and houses, cows, etc. when he is 21 years old.

To eldest daughter, Elizabeth, bed, blankets, etc. - to be given to her at 16 years or married.

To daughter Mary, pewter dishes, etc. - when 16 years old or married.

To daughter Lucy, cows, horses, etc., when 16 years old or married.

To daughter Sarah, the same.

To son Timothy, furniture, beds, etc. - when he is 16 years old.

Wife, Elizabeth, executor

Wit. John Postell, John Jones

The fact that George, Jr. was under 21 and Elizabeth not 16 indicates that George Sr. was not a very old man, probably 42 years old or less at the time of his death. He seems to have been more prosperous or fortunate than Timothy and his sons, and, according to the location of the land left to his son George, lived some distance from the others.

The will<sup>41</sup> of George Ezell Jr. is so mutilated that only five children are accounted for. It was proved 20 January 1730. He devised the following:

Son, George Ezel, ye tract of land where he now lives and 10 shillings.

Son, William Ezel, land I now live on and my Trooper's Arms.

Son, John Ezel, tract of land on Meherrin River in Brunswick County.

Son, Edward Ezel, Tract of land on Rudy Branch.

Daughter, Mary Ezel, side sadle and bridle.

(The rest of the will is mutilated.)

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Presented by Rebeckah Ezell (his wife who was the daughter of  
Roger Delk)

Wit. Wm. Thorp.

The above will shows that George Sr. had a grandson named William of  
Surry County Virginia. Timothy, the immigrant also had a grandson named  
William as:

Timothy Ezell - In Va. ab. 1650

George Ezell - b. ab. 1650

Michael - b. ab. 1665-68

George - b. ab. 1672-76

William - b. prior to 1700

William - b. ab. 1700

It is important to distinguish between these two Williams in order to  
keep the lineage correct. The record of William (George's grandson) takes  
him out of Surry County.

On 22 February 1724, George Ezell Jr. of Surry County was granted<sup>42</sup>  
400 acres of land on Black Water Swamp, Surry County Virginia.

William Ezell of Surry County was granted<sup>43</sup> 150 acres on Black Water  
Swamp, Surry County Virginia in 1728.

On 27 July 1742 William Ezell of Albemarle Parish, Surry County,  
deeded<sup>44</sup> to Thomas Cocke of the aforesaid county, for the sum of fifty  
pounds, two tracts of land. The one parcel of 150 acres being the land  
whereon his father George Ezell dwelt and devised to his son, the said  
William Ezell, by his Last Will and Testament. The other tract of 150 acres  
on Matt Branch granted said William by Patent, dated \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_ 173\_\_\_\_.  
This land was all in Surry and originally Black Water Swamp. Relinquishment  
of the above land was made by William Ezell and Martha, his wife, of Surry  
County Virginia,<sup>45</sup> on 13 May 1745.

William Ezell married, before 1742, Martha Stokes, daughter of  
Silvances Stokes, Jr.<sup>46</sup> The records for William and Martha, his wife,  
change over into Sussex County, which was formed from Surry. This was the  
lower part of the county. There are some records for this William Ezell, in  
Sussex County, one of which is a deed from William Ezell and Martha his  
wife to Isham Ezell dated December 21, 1758.



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GEORGE EZELL AND HIS GRANDSON, WILLIAM EZELL

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On 1 November 1776, William Ezell of Sussex County Virginia executed his will,<sup>47</sup> which was proved 16 March 1786. His legatees were:

Daughter, Agnes Carter (widow); daughter Tabbith Winn, wife of Francis Winn; daughter Ann Ezell; daughter Molly Rowland, wife of Wm. Rowland; son of Susannah Ezell, John Ezell; three youngest daughters, Ann Ezell, Molly Rowland, Susannah Ezell; son Drury Ezell.

Executors: Solomon Graves & son Drury Ezell

Teste: Wm. Hardie, Wm. Stuart, Thos. Moore

(Note: William's daughter, Susannah, married an Ezell.)

This clears up the William Ezell, son of George, Jr. and grandson of George, Sr.

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<sup>40</sup>Surry Co. W Bk. 4, p. 293.

<sup>41</sup>Surry Co. W Bk. 8, p. 70.

<sup>42</sup>Virginia Land Patent Bk. 12, p. 170.

<sup>43</sup>Ibid., Bk. 14, p. 126.

<sup>44</sup>Surry Co. Deed Bk. 4, p. 223.

<sup>45</sup>Ibid., pp. 304-5.

<sup>46</sup>Dorothy Ford Wulfeck, Some Virginia Marriages 1607-1800.

<sup>47</sup>Sussex Co. W Bk. D, p. 384.

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PART III - CHAPTER 3  
TIMOTHY EZELL, IMMIGRANT

The Ezell family is probably of French descent,<sup>48</sup> although the immigrant to Virginia came from England. In the early Virginia records, and to this date, the name Ezell is spelled in various ways: Esel, Essell, Esselle, Ezal, Easwell, Ezzall, Ezall, Ezel, Ezell, Ezelle, Ezzel, Ezzell, Ezzelle, Isal, Isel, Iseld, Isold, Isriell, Isrielle, Issell, Isrioll, Issul, Izard, Oisel, Usel, Usselle, Uzzell, Uzzelle, Uzziel, Sills and Gills.

Timothy Ezell, the immigrant, was born in England and died 1688/96 in Surry County Virginia. His wife was probably Mary. Timothy Issell<sup>49</sup> gave John Orchard power of attorney to sell 211 acres of land in Surry County on 26 February 1652:

25 February 1652, I John Jennings, by virtue of Timothy Issell, his writer, doe give Mr. John Orchard full power for me in my place and action in right of the whole right of a patent for land belonging unto me containing... 211 acres in Surry County, as by patent unto William Rose, etc., bounding upon the land of Thomas Woodhouse,  
4 January 1652.

The record shows that Timothy had been in Virginia some time prior to 1652, because of the time required to process patents. He was, therefore, over 21 years of age, having been born prior to 1630. This, and the following instrument in writing indicates that Timothy may have become discouraged and returned to his native England around 1652-4, only to return again to the Colony. He was one of eleven persons transported with Captain William Canfill<sup>50</sup> (Caufell) on 24 January 1656, along with Joanne Gurney, Joane Davis, and others.

Timothy gave bond<sup>51</sup> to John Holmwood on 5 March 1652, as follows:

This Bill bindeth me Timothy Ezell (Essall) my Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, or Assigns, to pay or cause to be paid unto Jno. Holmwood or Assigns... the sum of 556 Lbs. of good and marketable tobacco in casks etc. to contain it, to be paid at the dwelling house of said Ezell (Essall) on Lounes Creek, on or before the tenth day of September next. For better security for said Holmwood etc. the said Ezell (Essall) now freely... two milch cows, the one a black with

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The will of Stephen Weeks (see "Early Ezell Notes") proves that Timothy "Iseld" and Michell "Iseld" were the sons of Timothy "Iseld." There may have been other children, but proof of only two:

- I. Timothy<sup>2</sup> Ezell, Jr. - b. ab. 1657-1660, Surry County Virginia.  
He was a tithable<sup>55</sup> in Surry County in 1678, paying his own tithe, showing that he was 21 years of age or older. He was also on the 1683, 1688, and 1694 lists. He does not appear as a tithable in 1698. He was in the Horse Militia, Surry County,<sup>56</sup> in 1687. Will<sup>57</sup> names Mary as his wife. The children were: George, Timothy, Thomas, John, Lydia, Mary-Rose, Elizabeth m. \_\_\_\_\_ Gilbert. Thomas Ezell, son of Timothy, Jr., made his will on 24 October 1780. His wife was Ann. (In Sussex County Census of 1790 are Thomas, Balaam and Abel Ezell - Sussex was formed from Surry in 1753.)

*Error.  
not for  
the above  
Timothy Ezell - Jr.*

- II. Michael<sup>2</sup> Ezell - See following chapter.

<sup>48</sup>Amasa Windham "Ezell" paper in Family Files at the Archives in Montgomery, Alabama.

<sup>49</sup>E. T. Davis, Surry Co. Records 1652-1684, Bk. 1, p. 6.

<sup>50</sup>Virginia Land Patent Bk. 4, p. 550.

<sup>51</sup>Surry Co. Records Bk. I, 1652-1682, p. 22.

<sup>52</sup>John B. Boddie, Col. Surry, pp. 183, 186, 188, 192, 195.

<sup>53</sup>Surry Co. W & D Bk., 1694-1709, p. 106.

<sup>54</sup>Ibid.

<sup>55</sup>Boddie, pp. 188, 192, 195-198.

<sup>56</sup>Ibid., p. 211.

<sup>57</sup>Surry Co. W Bk. A, p. 175.

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PART III - CHAPTER 4

MICHAEL EZELL

Michael<sup>2</sup> Ezell (Timothy<sup>1</sup>) was born between 1663 and 1668 in Surry County Virginia. His father paid his taxes in 1684, as he did for Henry Braderton, showing he was between the age of 16 and 21. He died 1713/17 in Surry County. His wife was Elizabeth Tooke.

Michael "Essell" was in the Foot<sup>58</sup> Militia of Surry County by order of the Council dated 8 ber - ye 24th - 1687.

Michael's will and the records of Surry show very clearly that he did not own land at any time.

It is presumed that Michael's wife pre-deceased him as she was not mentioned in his will which was devised 6 February 1713 and probated 18 December 1717. Michael Ezell had very little, but his will follows:<sup>59</sup>

I, Michael Ezell of Lawnes Creek Parrish in the County of Surry being weak in body yet praised be God of a Reasonable Sence and Memory do make ordain and constitute This my Last Will and Testament for the Disposing of what worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bestow upon me This sixth day of February 1713/14. Viz: first my will is that all my just Debts be truly paid.

I give unto my son William Ezell my new feather bed and my little  
\_\_\_\_\_ my mare saddles and bridle, all the rest of my Goods and Chattles of and in what kind soever I give one-half to my aforesaid Son William and the other half to my Daughter Elizabeth and my son-in-law John Atkinson whom I nominate and appoint my full and sole Executor of This my Last Will and Testament Revoking all other Wills and Testaments heretofore by me made. In Testimony of which I have hereunto put my hand and fixed my seal the Day and Year above written.

Mark

Michael VE Ezell

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged  
to be my Last Will in presence of

Mark

William H Hurdle

Samuel Cornwell

Presented in Court held at Southwark Parish Co. of Surry 18 Dec. 1717.



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There may have been other children but the only two named by their father's will were:

- I. Elizabeth<sup>3</sup> Ezell - m. John Atkinson prior to 1713/14.
- II. William<sup>3</sup> Ezell - See following Chapter.

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<sup>58</sup>Crozier, Virginia Colonial Militia, p. 102.

<sup>59</sup>Surry Co. Deeds, Wills, etc. 1715-1730, Part I, pp. 1-238, p. 83.

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PART III - CHAPTER 5

WILLIAM EZELL, SR.

William<sup>3</sup> Ezell, Sr. (Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) was born prior to 1700 in Surry County Virginia. The wording of his father's will and the fact that William, his son, was not named as executor in 1713/14, or mentioned when same was proved in 1717/18, indicates that William, Sr. was a very young man when his father executed his will. William, Sr. died in New Hanover County, North Carolina, 1775. His wife's name is unknown.

An inventory of the Estate<sup>60</sup> of John Tooke, late of Surry County deceased, was in possession of William Ezell, one of the Executors, on March 1721. This would place William, Sr.'s birth prior to 1700.

On February 15, 1720/21, James Peland<sup>61</sup> made oath that he wrote the will of John Tooke and that William Ezell, whom he appointed one of his executors, should enjoy the profits of all the land given to his son John until he came of lawful age in consideration of educating and bringing him up, "which I did forget to set down in said will."

A patent<sup>62</sup> for 145 acres on the north side of Fountain Creek in Brunswick County, Virginia, on 16 June 1738 to William Ezell, Sr. (or the Elder) is very important as it proves the line of descent. It also shows when William Ezell, Sr. of Brunswick first acquired land there, but there is no record of when he actually moved there. It must have been very soon afterwards because the patent required certain improvements and agreements to be carried out in a limited time.

On April 24, 1753<sup>63</sup> William Rowland of Albemarle Parish, Surry County, sold to William Ezell, Sr. of St. Andrews Parish Brunswick County a tract of land by patent containing 100 acres, for the sum of ~~£~~ 6 lawful money of Virginia. Witnesses were Joseph Carter, Jr., Samuel Clark and Henry Cook. The original patent shows that this land was on the north side of Fountain Creek. Most of Brunswick County was originally St. Andrews Parish, but as the county became populated, Meherrin Parish was organized and later, when Lunenburg was cut off there were Cumberland, St. James, Antrim and numerous other parishes and counties which extended all the way across Patrick County over a hundred miles to the West.

On 4 February, 1765, William Ezell, Sr. of Brunswick County<sup>64</sup> sold to Amos Horton of Sussex County, for the sum of ~~£~~ 45, a tract of land containing by Patent 100 acres located on the North Side of Fountain Creek.

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Witnesses were Robert Peebles, John J. Peebles, and William Ezell, Jr. This is the first and last time that the names of William Ezell, Sr. and William Ezell, Jr. are shown together in any document. William Ezell, Jr. was dead one year later leaving four tracts of land he acquired by purchase.

William's Will<sup>65</sup> executed 24 April 1773 was probated in the October, Court, 1775 in New Hanover County, North Carolina. The will follows:

In the name of God Amen. I, William Ezard of New Hanover County in the Province aforesaid, being in perfect health, mind and memory, do make, ordain and declare this and no other to be my last will and Testament, in recurrency and form following that is to say --- First. I bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God, hoping and believing a redemption of my sins, by the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ; and my worldly estate I give, devise and bequeath as follows, to wit, I will that all my just and lawful debts be paid immediately after my decease.

I give, bequeath and devise unto my daughter, Elizabeth, five shillings.

I give, bequeath and devise unto my grandson John Ezard of Virginia, a tract of land on the south side of Fountains Creek in Virginia, containing one hundred and forty five acres to him and his heirs. (Note: This was the 145 acres patented to William Ezell, Sr. on 16 June 1738 although the will states it was on the south side of Fountains Creek.)

I give, bequeath and devise unto my grandson Isaac Rowell of the same county, two hundred and ninety two acres of land known by the name of Posey, to him and his heirs; and in case of death while under age, to be the property of the above mentioned John Ezard, to him and his heirs.

I give, bequeath and devise to my grandson William Batts my shotgun.

I will that all my estate that is not before bequeathed, should be immediately after my decease sold at public auction to the highest

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
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bidder by my Executor; and the money arising from such sale to be equally divided between my grandchildren, to wit, Hannah Dickson, Lucy White, Mary Batson, Agnes Batts, William Batts, Sarah Batts, John Batts, Baalam Batts; to them and their heirs. Lastly, I nominate and appoint my good friend George White Executor of my last will and Testament; and I do hereby revoke, frustrate and disavow all other wills before made by me, and do declare this and no other to be my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this twenty fourth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred seventy three.

Signed, sealed and delivered )  
in presence of )  
Exphe Killbee )  
Susana Killbee )  
Elisha Atkinson )

His  
William  Ezard (Seal)  
Mark

At New Hanover October Court 1775 the Written last Will and Testament of William Ezard dec'd, was exhibited to the Court, and proved on the oath of Exphe Killbee and Elisha Atkinson two subscribing evidences, who swore they saw the testator sign, seal, publish and declare the same, to be and contain his last will and Testament and that at the time thereof, he appeared to these deponents to be of sound and disposing mind and memory, and that Susana Killbee signed with them as concerning evidence thereto. At the same time George White Executor therein named, qualifies as such agreeable to law.

John Lond, C. Ct.

From this will, it is evident that William Ezell, Jr., who predeceased his father, was an only son and that he had six sisters.

The earliest that William Ezell is found in New Hanover County, North Carolina, is 8 October 1771 when he witnessed, by the mark, the will<sup>166</sup> of John Atkinson. The only indication as to where he lived in New Hanover



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County, North Carolina, was "at the Sounds," according to his inventory.<sup>67</sup>

William Ezell, Sr.'s older sister, Elizabeth, had married John Atkinson prior to 1714. A John Atkinson of New Hanover County, bought land<sup>68</sup> 1765 on New Topsail Sound.

William Batt of New Hanover County bought land<sup>69</sup> in 1766 from Moses Sidberry "next to the Sound." These records show members of William Ezell's family living near each other "at the Sounds" in North Carolina.

According to records in Virginia and the will of William Ezell, Sr., he had the following children: (Not in order of birth; there may have been others.)

I. William<sup>4</sup> Ezell, Jr. - (See next chapter)

His son: John Ezard

II. Elizabeth<sup>4</sup>

III. \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> Rowell (daughter)

Her son: Isaac Rowell

IV. \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> Batts (daughter) (Hannah Batts was a witness to

William Ezell, Jr.'s Will 1765)

Her children: William Batts

Agnes Batts

Sarah Batts

John Batts

Baalam Batts

V. \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> Dickson

Her daughter: Hannah Dickson

VI. \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> White

Her daughter: Lucy White

VII. \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> Batson

Her daughter: Mary Batson

A Peter Batson's will<sup>70</sup> was devised 15 June 1822 and proved in the August Court of 1822. C. C. Powers, Stokeley Sidberry, and B. M. King were witnesses, with his wife, Mary, as Executrix. The daughters named were: Mary Batson, Elizabeth Stokeley, and Nancy Ward, also a grandson, Mordicai Batson.

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Peter Batson, Jr. was born<sup>71</sup> about 1745 in Carteret County, North Carolina. His father was Peter Batson, Sr. of North Carolina. He married Mary, "a lady of excellent education." Mrs. Bornemann wrote that Peter, Jr. was a legatee in his grandfather's will. He was Andrew John Fabin, - will dated 1761 in New Hanover County, North Carolina. His brothers were Thomas Batson, Batt Batson, William Batson, and Baalam Batson, All these children were named in the will, including those to whom he had previously given lands.

More research would have to be done for definite proof that William Ezell, Sr.'s daughter was the Mary, wife of Peter Batson, Jr.

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<sup>60</sup>Surry Co. W & D, 1715/1730, p. 327.

<sup>61</sup>Ibid., p. 319.

<sup>62</sup>Virginia Land Pat. Bk. 17, p. 532.

<sup>63</sup>Brunswick County D. Bk. 5, p. 389.

<sup>64</sup>Ibid., Bk. 8, p. 35.

<sup>65</sup>Will Bk. C, New Hanover Co., N. C., p. 90.

<sup>66</sup>C. 2, Reel 266, New Hanover Co., N. C.

<sup>67</sup>New Hanover Co. Estate Papers 1741-1939, CR.070.508.13.

<sup>68</sup>New Hanover Co., N. C., Vol. E., p. 187.

<sup>69</sup>Ibid., p. 283.

<sup>70</sup>New Hanover Co. Min. 1786-1800, p. 41.

<sup>71</sup>Batson Genealogy by Vivian Davis Bornemann, p. 41.

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son Mial Ezell the remainder part of my land on the Southside of Fountains Creek that lies between the said Creek and the Road and Cooks line and John Ezells line, and one negro girl named Hannah, to him and his heirs forever. ITEM: I give and bequeath to my daughter Betty Ezell my land on the North side of Fountains Creek that lies between Tillers Rowels Hick's and Anderson's line, and one negro girl named Lucy to her and her heirs forever, the remainder part of my estate after my debts are paid I lend to my beloved wife Jane Ezell during her widowhood, and then to be equally divided amongst my three children. My Will is that the land I bought of Thos. Tomlinson that lies over the Road to be sold to pay my debts, and likewise four negroes, Booker, York, Nann and Friday, and I do also appoint my loving wife Jane Ezell and John Peebles Senr. my Executors acknowledging this to be my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and fix my seal this twenty-eight day of April, one thousand seven hundred and sixty five.

Signed sealed and delivered by the  
said William Ezell Junr. to be his  
last Will and Testament in the  
presence of us.

William Ezell Junr. (SEAL)

Joseph Tooke

Hannah Batts           X Mark

At a court held for Brunswick County the 23rd day of June 1766:  
This will was presented in Court by John Peebles, Senr., one of the Exors therein named, and proved by the oath of Joseph Tooke one of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded, and on motion of the said Exor who made oath thereto. Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in due form, he having with William Rives, John Peebles, John Peebles Jr. and John Collier his securities entered into and acknowledged Bond in the penalty of One thousand Pounds with condition according to law. And at a Court continued and held for the said County the 23rd day of September following the same was further proved by the oath of Hannah Batts the other witness thereto.

Teste: N. Edwards Jr. Cler. of Court.

Willie B. Abernathy Deputy Clerk.

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The will of William Ezell, Jr. lists his land thoroughly and the wording shows that his wife was very young and quite likely to remarry. The following records show that his children were also quite young; in fact, hardly more than infants.

At the court<sup>77</sup> held 22 August, 1782, Michael Ezell (Miel, Mial, Mical) orphan of William Ezell, made choice of Edmund Jeter for his guardian, who together with John Jeter, his security, entered into bond in the penalty of £2000.

The court<sup>78</sup> held 26 January 1786 received a receipt from Mial Ezell to Edmund Jeter his late guardian, was proved by witnesses thereto and ordered recorded.

On 28 December 1786<sup>79</sup> Mial Ezell of Greenville County sold to Jesse Jordan of the same county, for the sum of £100 a tract of land on the north side of Fountain Creek containing 145 acres being land formerly granted William Ezell the Elder, by Patent June 1738, and by him devised to John Ezell, his grandson, and by his death, the rights of which is vested in said Mial Ezell.

The aforesaid Court Record in Greenville County 22 August 1782 means that Michael Ezell was about 16 years of age and was old enough to choose his own guardian. By January 26, 1786 Michael was twenty-one years of age and free to handle the property that fell to him as he saw fit.

The area in which William Ezell owned land in Brunswick County became Greenville County in 1781.

William Ezell the Elder who Patented the above 145 acres of land in 1738 outlived his son William, Jr. who died in 1766, leaving three very young children, the oldest of whom was John Ezard (Ezell) of Virginia, who was bequeathed the 145 acres patented to William Ezell Sr.<sup>80</sup> on the north side of Fountain Creek in Brunswick County by his grandfather's will in New Hanover County, North Carolina, dated 4 April 1773 and proved October court 1775. This John Ezell, infant, did not reach the age of 21 years or there would have been some records of him on the tax books. A record in Brunswick County<sup>81</sup> shows that on 27 September 1773, "John Ezell, being of lawful age for that purpose made choice of John Rogers to be his guardian." No transfer of the estate, as in the case of his younger brother, Michael Ezell, 1782 and 1786, was ever made.



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There is no further record of Michael's sister, Betty Ezell, who inherited the land on the north side of Fountain Creek from her father, William Ezell, Jr., in 1766. From the amount of land that descended to Michael Ezell, it would seem that he was in all probability the only surviving male heir of William, Sr. and William Ezell, Jr., his mother having relinquished her rights through remarriage.

The widow, Jane Ezell, refused<sup>82</sup> to accept, receive, or take the legacy given her by the will of her late husband and renounced her claim 25 August 1766.

The Court appointed Jane Ezell to be the guardian<sup>83</sup> of her children, John, Betty, and Michael Ezell, who, together with William Brewer and Peter Lee, Sureties, signed bonds in 1766.

In Chancery Court<sup>84</sup> 25 March 1767 Amos Horton and wife, Jane, filed their claim against her three infant children and John Peebles, Executor. The Court<sup>85</sup> appointed John Peebles guardian to the children, defendants in the suit on 27 April 1767. The Court ordered that George Wyche, Henry Wyche, John Peterson, and Timothy Rives, or any three or more of them, to lay off all properties and allot Jane's dower in the land and slaves of her deceased husband's estate and to settle the account of John Peebles' administration.

The Court Records<sup>86</sup> of 26 May 1767 continued the suit that Amos Horton and Jane, his wife, filed against John, Michael and Elizabeth Ezell, for her dower. She had married Amos Horton, Jr. between August 1766, and 25 March 1767. Influenced by her second husband, she must have regretted her August decision in rejecting her dower, and they took steps to obtain her part.

On 12 January 1769<sup>87</sup> Amos Horton was in possession of his wife's land and slaves, which was lawful in Colonial times. A married woman could not own real estate and everything she owned became the property of her husband. Amos Horton, Jr. sold everything she had received from her first husband's estate to John Peebles. He ran through his wife's property rapidly and they removed from Brunswick County. At the time the sale was made, Amos owned in right of his wife, Jane, one-third of a tract of land called Poll Cat, which was rented to Edward Rowell, one-third of a tract whereon John Jeeter lived which he rented, and one-third of another tract whereon John Jeeter lived and which he rented. The record of the sale of Jane's property continues: "also one Negro girl named Lucy which I hold in right of

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my wife Jane Horton for and during her natural life and now in possession of the said John Peebles and whereas the said Amos Horton stands indebted to the estate of William Ezell, Jr., died, 32 pounds, 2 shillings." It took Amos Horton, Jr. a little less than two years to lose his wife's dower from the estate of her former husband, William Ezell, Jr.

Amos Horton and wife Jane seem to have disappeared from Brunswick County after 1773. There was an Amos Horton in the 1790 census<sup>88</sup> of Wake County, North Carolina.

2 males over 16, including head

1 male under 16

4 females, any age

3 slaves.

The above Amos Horton was born 1755 or before, according to the 1800 census<sup>89</sup> of Wake County, and so was his wife. The 1800 census was as follows:

1 male 10-16 (1784-1790)

1 male 16-26 (1774-1784)

1 male 45 or over (1755 or before)

1 female 10-16 (1784-1790)

2 females 16-26 (1774-1784)

1 female 45 or over (1755 or before)

A search of the deeds in Wake County show that Amos Horton purchased<sup>90</sup> 250 acres on 13 May 1783, however half of the deeds were destroyed from 1771 to 1832 --- eighteen deed books. Amos bought<sup>91</sup> 250 acres on 14 October 1797.

Census records after 1800 are lost to 1830, however, a tax list<sup>92</sup> for 1820 is a help to gauge the gap. Buffalo District shows Amos Horton, also Drury, Jesse, Benjamin, William, and Hartwell Horton. Buffalo Creek is parallel to Zebulon (south of it) and it is in northeast Wake County in Mark's Creek District or Township, and close to Johnston County.

Amos Horton devised his will<sup>93</sup> 28 March 1821 and it was probated August 1822. His wife was Ginney, and the children were Hartwell, Jesse, Drury, Viney Peoples, Rebecca Jones, Already or Aready Freeman, Scharbrough grandchildren, nine of them: William, Ginney, Gilley, Millie Roady, Daniel, Eliza, Amos, and Wesley.

Signed: Amos Horton

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Whether or not this was Jane's husband is not known, but it is included here to give this information to anyone interested in the Horton family.

Issue of William, Jr. and Jane Ezell:

- I. John<sup>5</sup> Ezell - b. abt. 1759 - Deceased before 1786
- II. Betty<sup>5</sup> Ezell - b. abt. 1763
- III. Mial<sup>5</sup> Ezell - See chapter following

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- <sup>72</sup>Brunswick Co. Va. Order Bk. 5, p. 467.
  - <sup>73</sup>Ibid., p. 309.
  - <sup>74</sup>Guardian Account Bk. of Brunswick Co. Va., p. 35.
  - <sup>75</sup>Ibid., p. 134.
  - <sup>76</sup>Will Bk. 3, Brunswick Co. Va., pp. 441-442.
  - <sup>77</sup>Greensville Co. Order Bk. 1, p. 40.
  - <sup>78</sup>Ibid., p. 258.
  - <sup>79</sup>Greensville Co. Deed Bk. 1, p. 178.
  - <sup>80</sup>New Hanover Co. N. C. Bk. Will Bk. C, p. 90.
  - <sup>81</sup>Brunswick Co. Order Bk. 12, p. 421.
  - <sup>82</sup>Ibid., Bk. 10, p. 128.
  - <sup>83</sup>Ibid., p. 152.
  - <sup>84</sup>Ibid., p. 220.
  - <sup>85</sup>Ibid., p. 280; also Utah Gen. Society Film 7289, part 4, p. 280.
  - <sup>86</sup>Ibid., p. 347.
  - <sup>87</sup>Brunswick Co. Deed Bk. 9, 1767-1770, pp. 468-469.
  - <sup>88</sup>Clarke's V. 26, p. 1164.
  - <sup>89</sup>Wake Co. N. C. Census Mf. p. 738.
  - <sup>90</sup>Wake Co. N. C. Deed Bk. Vol. F, p. 152.
  - <sup>91</sup>Ibid., V. Q, p. 353.
  - <sup>92</sup>Journal, pp. 1083-1099, for Buffalo Dist.
  - <sup>93</sup>Wake Co. Wills V. 17, pp. 397-398.

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MIEL EZELL

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Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Wilson a Negro woman Sarah and boy Ned also one horse Bridle and Saddle one featherbed and furniture, one cow and calf, one chest, spinning wheel and lands which property she has already in possession to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I lend the use of all my land to my beloved wife Priscilla Ezell for the \_\_\_\_ of herself and all my children except the one married, until my son William F. Ezell, shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years after which time my desire is that two hundred acres of said land shall be laid off for my said son, in the fork of the \_\_\_\_ branch and Bear swamp which I give to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I also give and bequeath to my said son William at his coming of age as much of the same kind of property my other property as is given to my daughter Elizabeth Wilson, to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: My will and desire is that the rest of my Estate shall be continued together on said plantation for the support and maintenance of my said wife and all my children except the two \_\_\_\_ above mentioned until my son Anderson Ezell shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years so as for each of them as they come of age or marry to be entitled to \_\_\_\_ as much of my estate and of the same kind as near as can be laid off as is heretofore given to my daughter Elizabeth Wilson their heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I leave all the rest of my land that is after son William's part being taken off at the coming of age of my son Miel Ezell to be equally divided between all my sons except William so as for my said wife, not to be deprived of a home on the same if she should choose to live on it to them their heirs and assigns forever - and in case either of my said sons should die without lawful issue for their part of my said land to be sold and the



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money arising therefrom to be equally divided among all my children to them, their heirs and assigns forever I give and bequeath all the remainder of my estate, after the coming of age of said heretofore given away to be equally divided between all my daughters to them and their lawful \_\_\_\_\_ forever. And I do hereby nominate and constitute and appoint my beloved wife Priscilla Ezell executrix son William F. Ezell and Sam Morris Executors of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal the 14th day of September Eighteen Hundred and Eight.

Signed: Miel Ezell

Signed, Sealed and  
Acknowledged in the  
presence of:

Tho. Turner  
P. Turner  
M. C. Turner

his  
Willis X Johnson  
mark  
his  
William X Gilliam  
mark

At the August Session 1809 in Halifax County, North Carolina, the above Will was exhibited in open court and duly proved by the oath of Thomas Turner and on Motion ordered to be recorded whereupon Priscilla Ezell an Executrix & William F. Ezell, the Executor therein named came in open court and was duly qualified thereto.

Miel did not name all of his children in his will, only Elizabeth Wilson and his three sons William F. Ezell, Anderson (Addison) Ezell, Miel Ezell and his wife, Priscilla.

The 1810 Census report of Halifax County, North Carolina, lists Priscilla Ezell with the following:

- 2 males under 10 (1800-1810) (Miel Ezell and Anderson Ezell)
- 1 male 16 to 26 (1784-1794) (William F. Ezell)
- 1 female under 10 (1800-1810) (Priscilla Ezell)

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PART III - CHAPTER 7

MIEL EZELL

Miel<sup>5</sup> Ezell (William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) of Brunswick County, later Greenville County, Virginia, was about forty-four years old when he died<sup>94</sup>, 1808-09, in Halifax County, North Carolina. He was born about 1765 in Brunswick County, Virginia, son of Jane and William Ezell, Jr. On 30 December 1787, in Greenville County, Virginia, he married<sup>95</sup> Priscilla Rives, daughter of Benjamin Rives. She was born about 1767 in Brunswick County, and was living in Halifax County, North Carolina when the 1810 census was taken.

Michael was a man of substantial means, having inherited over 1000 acres of land from his father and older brother John. He was on the Greenville County tax lists for the years 1790 through 1796.

Mical Ezell qualified as an Ensign<sup>96</sup> in the Militia of Greenville County Virginia on 26 January 1792 and he took the oath of office 25 October 1792. Lieut. Miel Ezell was recommended to the Governor on 28 May 1795. On 25 July 1795 he was sworn in as an officer of the Greenville County Militia.<sup>97</sup>

The last record of Michael in Virginia was on 24 November 1796<sup>98</sup> when he sold some of his land. On 30 August 1796<sup>99</sup> he purchased 700 acres of land in Halifax County, North Carolina, on the east side of Bear Swamp, for five hundred pounds. It was registered 15 March 1797.

Miel Ezell was shown on the 1800 census report and the 1800 tax list of Halifax County, North Carolina in Dist. 13, with 700 acres, 1 free poll, and 10 blacks.<sup>100</sup> He was also on the 1802 tax list in District 13 with 700 acres, 1 free poll and 10 blacks.<sup>101</sup>

Miel Ezel executed his will<sup>102</sup> on 14 September 1808, proved in the August sessions - 1809:

In the name of God Amen I Miel Ezel of the County of Halifax and state of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of the body that we have one (sic) to die, do make & ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First and foremost I commend my soul to Almighty God who gave it in hope of a Joyful Resurrection of the same, and to what worldly goods it hath pleased God to bestow on me I dispose of as follows (to wit)

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3 females 10 to 16 (1794-1800) (Anne Maria Ezell and Mary Ann Ezell,  
twins, and Angeline Ezell)

1 female 26 to 45 (1765-1784) (Priscilla Rives Ezell)

The oldest child, Elizabeth, was listed in the household of her husband, John Roper Wilson.

William F. Ezell sold<sup>103</sup> 15 acres of his land to Marcas A. Harwell in 1814. On 28 September 1816 he sold<sup>104</sup> 200 acres to William Price, Sr.

Commissioners<sup>105</sup> appointed to divide the estate of Miel Ezell were Benjamin Edmonds, Charles Edmonds, Marcas A. Harrell (Harwell), John Bright, Arthur Arrington, or any three.

A division of lands of Miel Ezell, deceased, between two of his sons, Miel and Anderson, was made 17 April 1819. The tract on the Marsh 310-1/2 acres to Mial @\$3.50 per acre, and to Anderson 328-1/2 acres @\$3.00 per acre, being \$50.62, one-half short of his part which Miel was to pay. It is not clear as to which one was to have the dwelling house.

Nothing further is known about Miel's widow beyond the 1810 census report. She may have died in Halifax County before her children moved to Clarke County, Alabama, with the Finch and Wilson families about 1817. No record in Alabama shows her being there. However, the 1820 census report for Clarke County has never been found.

Probate Court Minutes, Orphans Court Records, and Census reports of Halifax County, North Carolina, and Clarke County, Alabama, in addition to the Halifax County Will<sup>106</sup> of Miel Ezell prove the following children to be his and Priscilla Rives Ezell's: 3 sons and 5 daughters

- I. Betsy<sup>6</sup> (Elizabeth) Ezell
- II. William F.<sup>6</sup> Ezell
- III. Anne Maria<sup>6</sup> Ezell
- IV. Mary Ann<sup>6</sup> Ezell
- V. Angeline<sup>6</sup> Ezell
- VI. Miel<sup>6</sup> Ezell
- VII. Anderson<sup>6</sup> (Addison) Ezell
- VIII. Priscilla<sup>6</sup> Ezell

Proof of the above children will be found in the Anne Maria Ezell chapter.

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PART III - CHAPTER 8  
ELIZABETH (BETSY) EZELL

Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> (Betsy) Ezell (Miel<sup>5</sup>, William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) was the eldest of the eight children born to Miel and Priscilla Rives Ezell. She was born<sup>107</sup> 5 September 1788 in Greensville County, Virginia and died 1 August 1862 in Clarke County, Alabama. On the 10th of December 1805 in Halifax County, North Carolina, she was married to John Roper (Major Jack) Wilson. He was born 6 April 1787, Warren County, North Carolina and died 17 August 1865 in Clarke County, Alabama.

It is interesting to note that the Finch, Ezell, and Peebles families were close friends in Virginia witnessing documents for each other, and being made executors of some of the wills. When the Ezell and Finch families came to North Carolina, they lived close to the Wilsons in Halifax County and the members of these families inter-married frequently. Betsy married John Roper Wilson and her brother, William F. Ezell, married John Roper Wilson's sister, Lucy Wilson.

The Finches, Ezells and Wilsons moved to Clarke County, Alabama in 1817 from Halifax County and settled near each other where they lived for several succeeding generations. Mr. T. H. Ball, in his Clarke County, Alabama and Its Surroundings states that these three families were very prominent with respect to wealth and position.

Refer to the John Roper Wilson chapter for more on Betsy Ezell Wilson. Her will is most unusual, making her three sons Trustees for their father and for each other.

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<sup>107</sup>All dates from photostatic copies of the John Roper Wilson Bible in possession of the author.



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<sup>94</sup>Greenville Co. Order Bk. 1, p. 178, receiving his properties from his guardian 26 Jan. 1786.

<sup>95</sup>Greenville Co. Marriages, also Relique of Rives by James Rives Childs, p. 341.

<sup>96</sup>27W (1), pp. 99, 100, 101.

<sup>97</sup>Ibid.

<sup>98</sup>Greenville Co. D Bk. 2, p. 365-366.

<sup>99</sup>Halifax Co. North Carolina - J.B. 862, Vol. 18, p. 87.

<sup>100</sup>No. 6 - Dist. #13, Tax List.

<sup>101</sup>No. 2 on Tax List (filed in loose papers)

<sup>102</sup>Halifax Co. N. C. Wills Bk. 3, p. 490.

<sup>103</sup>Halifax Co. Deeds, Vol. 23, p. 52 - JB 857.

<sup>104</sup>Vol. 24, p. 91 - JB 858.

<sup>105</sup>Halifax Court 1817 Session.

<sup>106</sup>Probate Court Minutes, Orphans Court Records, and Census reports of Clarke County, Alabama; in addition to Halifax Co. N. C. records.

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Ann Fleming who married Nathan Hopkins; see will  
of Margaret Fleming.<sup>117</sup>

Issue: 2 sons, 2 daus.

i. James W.<sup>8</sup> Fleming - b. 1840

ii. \*Robert B.<sup>8</sup> Fleming - b. 1842

iii. Margaret L.<sup>8</sup> Fleming - b. 1844

iv. Mary Jane<sup>8</sup> Fleming - b. 1848

m. James W. Dickinson of Grove Hill, Ala.

These four children later lived with their maternal  
uncle, Miel S. Ezell.

\*Robert B. Fleming<sup>118</sup> was not in the partial estate  
settlement of Christopher Pritchett, his great uncle,  
22 June 1846, or later.

III. Miel S.<sup>7</sup> Ezell - b. 27 August 1820 Clarke Co., Ala.

d. 15 September 1900, Clarke Co., Ala.

1st marriage: 8 May 1844<sup>119</sup>

Sarah Ann Stricklin

2nd marriage: 11 March 1851<sup>120</sup>

Lavinia Rogers

Miel and Lavinia Rogers brought up as wards James W.,  
Robert B., and Mary Jane Fleming.

No issue by either of the two wives. He resided four  
miles from Grove Hill on the Claiborne Road.

The birth and death dates for Miel S. Ezell were taken  
from William R. Armistead's Beneath Southern Sod, p. 52.  
Miel's body is interred at the Bethel Methodist Church  
Cemetery in Clarke County, Alabama.

IV. John F.<sup>7</sup> Ezell - b. 1820-1825<sup>121</sup> Clarke Co., Ala.

m. 4 April 1844<sup>122</sup>

Martha M. Figures

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WILLIAM F. EZELL

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After her husband's death, she married a Mr. Mitchell and was living in Chickasaw Co., Miss. and was guardian of her three daughters, 27 March 1865.

They were:

- i. Darlisha E.<sup>8</sup> Ezell b. before 1842<sup>123</sup>
- ii. Cornelia A.<sup>8</sup> Ezell b. before 1842
- iii. Mary W.<sup>8</sup> Ezell b. before 1842
  - d. before 1863

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<sup>108</sup>Vol. A, Clarke Co., Ala., pp. 41, 49.

<sup>109</sup>Ibid., Vol. E, p. 522.

<sup>110</sup>Ibid., p. 523.

<sup>111</sup>Vol. B, Minutes Orphans Court, p. 362.

<sup>112</sup>Clarke Co., Ala., 1830 cs.

<sup>113</sup>Ibid., Mg: Bk. B, p. 40.

<sup>114</sup>Ibid., 1850 cs.

<sup>115</sup>Ibid., Mg. Bk. B, p. 27.

<sup>116</sup>Ibid., Probate Min. Bk. F, p. 91.

<sup>117</sup>Ibid., Drawer F 1823-1849.

<sup>118</sup>Probate Records, Clarke County, Ala., Bk. K, pp. 410-412.

<sup>119</sup>Clarke Co., Ala. Mg. Bk. B, p. 88.

<sup>120</sup>Ibid., p. 162.

<sup>121</sup>Ibid., 1850 cs.

<sup>122</sup>Ibid., M. Bk. B, p. 90

<sup>123</sup>Minutes Clarke Co., Ala., p. 196. Joshua S. Wilson died 20 April 1863.

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PART III - CHAPTER 1

EARLY EZELL NOTES

Surry County, Virginia, is the place where the first records of the Abords, Braderton, Ezell and Weeks families are found.

There were only 182 white families<sup>23</sup> in 1668 living in Surry County and among them were Amaro Abords, Henry Braderton, Timothy Ezell, and Stephen Weeks. Although no record of land ownership has been found for them, the early wills, tithes, and court records show a connection between these four families, but the relationship, if there was one, has not been identified.

Henry Broughton (Broadherton, Broreton, Brotherton, Brereton, Braderton, etc.) on 2 May 1635, embarked in the "Alexander" to be transported to the Barbadoes.<sup>24</sup> He was 20 years old at the time. Henry Braderton served on a jury to view the body of a suicide<sup>25</sup> on 3 July 1660 and on 3 September 1662, he served on a jury to investigate the death of a servant.<sup>26</sup> He was a tithable in Surry County, 1668, 1678, and 1683,<sup>27</sup> but his name does not appear on the 1688 tax list, nor thereafter.

Timothy Ezell, Senior, was exempted from tax levies on 7 June 1682, "being poor and aged."<sup>28</sup> On a list of tithables belonging to Lawne Creek Parish, taken the 5th day of June 1684, Timothy Essell Senr. reported two tithes - one for Henry Braderton and the other for Michael Essell. This indicates that these young men were between the ages of 16 and 21 years of age. Timothy Essell, Jr.<sup>29</sup> paid his own tithe, showing that he was 21 years old, or older. This Henry Braderton was probably the son of the Henry Broughton who came over in the "Alexander" in 1635. Also, on the list of tithables for Lawne's Creek Parish, taken 10 June 1685, Timothy Ezel Senr. reported one tithe for Michael Ezell.<sup>30</sup>

Stephen Weeks showed one tithe on the June 1674 tax list<sup>31</sup> but he was deceased three years later. (See Will later in this chapter.)

A will<sup>32</sup> written by Amaro Abords on the 14th day of July 1677 and probated the 29th day of September 1677 is as follows:

The Last Will and Testimony of Amaro Abords, sick of body but of perfect memory to have Christian burial, and as for my Worldly goods, I bestow them thus:

First, to Mary Broadherton I give and bequeath a Cow Calfe, one Earthen Bason, and two Earthen Juggs. Timothy Isriell I give and



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MARY ANN EZELL

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1. William "Buster"<sup>8</sup> Marks
2. Fleming<sup>8</sup> Marks
3. Lee<sup>8</sup> Marks m. \_\_\_\_\_ Gordon
4. Mary Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> Marks  
m. Dr. S. G. Montague. Changed his name from "Meeker".
5. Rebecca<sup>8</sup> Marks b. 1846 d. 1891 m. 15 Apr. 1873  
m. James D. Wilson, son of Albert Jackson and  
Lavinia Jehu Scott Wilson  
Issue as known: 3 sons  
John M.<sup>9</sup>, Albert<sup>9</sup>, and Thomas J.<sup>9</sup> Wilson
6. Ginnella Inez<sup>8</sup> Marks, called "Ginny" and some records  
show "Virginia".  
b. 1850 Clarke Co., Ala. d. 1912  
m. abt. 1874  
William Byron Wilson b. 19 Feb. 1841 Clarke Co., Ala.  
d. 1912; son of Dr. William W. and Mary Josephine  
James Wilson and grandson of Joshua and Barbara Roper  
Wilson.  
Issue: 2 sons, 1 dau.
  - i. Willie<sup>9</sup> Wilson  
b. 1876 Clarke Co., Ala. d.s. 1890 Clarke Co., Ala.  
Bur. Gainstown Methodist Church Graveyard
  - ii. Mammie<sup>9</sup> Wilson b. Clarke Co., Ala. d. Piedmont, Ala.  
m. Walter Nat Hood  
Issue: 1 son A. Walter<sup>10</sup> Hood
  - iii. Walter Lee<sup>9</sup> Wilson b. 1879 Clarke Co., Ala.  
moved to Dothan, Ala. 1912, thence to Birmingham  
m. May Burge b. 1876 Clarke Co., Ala.  
d. 1958 Hueytown, Jefferson Co., Ala.  
dau. of H. E. Burge of Grove Hill, Ala.  
Issue: 1 son, 1 dau.  
A. Mamie Lee<sup>10</sup> Wilson b. 1904 Clarke Co., Ala.  
m. 1930 Henry Andrew Bailey b. 1905  
Now live in St. Petersburg, Fla.  
Issue: 1 dau.

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2. Henrietta J.<sup>8</sup> Pipkin b. 9 Apr. 1843 d. 1915 d.s.
  3. James Andrew<sup>8</sup> Pipkin b. 2 May 1846 d. 1915 Waco, Tex.
  4. William Lewis<sup>8</sup> Pipkin b. 3 Sept. 1849 d.s.
  5. John Luther<sup>8</sup> Pipkin b. 26 Dec. 1851
  6. Cora Ann<sup>8</sup> Pipkin b. 14 Feb. 1855 d. 5 Dec. 1950 Texarkana, Ark.
  7. Edgar Malone<sup>8</sup> Pipkin b. 22 Aug. 1857  
d. 6 Sept. 1935 Arkadelphia, Ark.
  8. Lillie<sup>8</sup> Pipkin b. 2 May 1862 d.s. 1882
  9. Daniel E.<sup>8</sup> Pipkin b. 1868
- IV. John Norfleet<sup>7</sup> Marks b. 1817-24 Clarke Co., Ala.  
After his parents death, he lived with his mother's sister,  
Betsy Ezell and husband John Roper Wilson.

The following section sent by E. M. Caller, Jr., 132 Pinewood Avenue,  
Hueytown, Ala. 35020, and J. Richard McLure, Rt. #2, Murphysboro, Ill.  
and Walter Byron Wilson, Rt. 6, Box 216, Bessemer, Ala. 35020.

- V. Jane Frances<sup>7</sup> Marks b. 2 Feb. 1827 Clarke Co., Ala.

d. 27 Apr. 1897

- m. 16 Oct. 1842 James Strother Caller, son of Col. Jas. Caller  
(b. Va. 1758-1819) and wife, Winifred Duke (1790-1846), dau. of  
Green Duke of Warren Co., N. C. They went to Ala. 1802.

Col. Jas. Caller was the son of James Caller.

The above James Strother Caller was b. 8 May 1810 Ala.

d. 25 Dec. 1870 Ala.

Issue: 6 sons, 6 daus.

1. Green Duke<sup>8</sup> Caller b. 1843 d. 1858
2. Mary Alice<sup>8</sup> Caller b. 1845 d. 1907 d.s.
3. Edward Marks<sup>8</sup> Caller b. 1847 d. 1873
4. Fredonia Winnefred<sup>8</sup> Caller b. 1848 d. 1884

m. the Rev. Joseph Hopkins James

5. William Marks<sup>8</sup> Caller b. 1851 d. 1915

m. Mary Louise Marshall b. 1852 d. 1932

dau. of Edward Lindsay Marshall of Gainstown, Ala.

Issue: 3 sons, 2 daus.

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- i. Green Duke<sup>9</sup> Caller b. 1880
  - m. 4 Apr. 1910 Nellie Ellard b. 1892
    - Address: 1924 Walnut St., Texarkana, Tex. 75501
    - Issue: 2 sons
      - A. Green Duke<sup>10</sup> Caller, Jr.
      - B. William E.<sup>10</sup> Caller
- ii. Edward Marshall<sup>9</sup> Caller, Sr.
  - b. 19 Apr. 1882 Barlow Bend, Ala. d. 17 Mar. 1954
  - m. 21 Dec. 1910 Bessemer, Birmingham, Ala.
    - Margaret May Wiser b. 18 May 1892
    - dau. of George W. and Mary Elizabeth Paley Wiser
    - Issue: 1 son, 2 daus.
      - A. Edward Marshall<sup>10</sup> Caller, Jr. b. 29 Sept. 1911
        - m. 5 July 1936 Lula Nevelyn Porter b. 23 Sept. 1914
        - Address: 132 Pinewood Ave., Hueytown, Ala. 35020
        - Issue: 1 son, 3 daus.
          - a. Marcia Joan<sup>11</sup> Caller b. 6 Mar. 1939
            - m. L. C. Dunkling b. 11 June 1937
            - Address: RFD 7, Box 267, Bessemer, Ala. 35020
            - Issue: 1 son, 1 dau.
              - 1A. Cynthia Diane<sup>12</sup> Dunkling b. 27 Sept. 1958
              - 2B. Ronald D.<sup>12</sup> Dunkling b. 14 July 1961
          - b. Judith Lynne<sup>11</sup> Caller b. 30 Mar. 1942
            - m. Gordon Hansford Johnson
            - Address: Viola Ave., Hueytown, Ala. 35020
            - Issue: 1 dau.
              - 1A. Jennifer Lynne<sup>12</sup> Johnson b. 4 July 1966
      - c. Marion Lenoir<sup>11</sup> Caller b. 21 Feb. 1944
        - m. Jack Whitworth Naugher
        - Issue: 1 son
          - Scott Allen<sup>12</sup> Naugher b. 27 Mar. 1965
      - d. Edward Marshall<sup>11</sup> Caller, III
        - b. 15 Mar. 1951

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Mary Hawkins and the twins Violet and Martha, were the children of Grandison Hawkins, deceased. Their great aunt, Ann Maria Ezell Pritchett had accepted a great responsibility in rearing the children and grandchildren of her two sisters, Mary Ann Marks and Angeline Hawkins. Having no children of her own, she became the mother of these orphaned children.



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CHRISTOPHER PRITCHETT EZELL

Christopher Pritchett<sup>7</sup> Ezell (Miel, Jr.<sup>6</sup>, Miel<sup>5</sup>, William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) was born<sup>131</sup> in 1836 in Suggsville, Clarke County, Alabama, and he died 25 April 1892 in Birmingham, Alabama. He married on 13 October 1870 at Santa Barbara, Brazil, Eliza Jane Brodnax, who was born 5 February 1850 in Suggsville, and died 3 July 1900 in Portland, Alabama. She was the daughter of Col. Robert Brodnax who was born in March, 1792, and his second wife, Hannah Evans Kirven. She was born 11 March 1810 in South Carolina and died about 1892. They were married in Dallas County, Alabama 29 December 1844. In 1867, Col. Brodnax removed with his family to Santa Barbara, Brazil, where he resided until 1874 when he returned to Alabama and died 27 July 1877 at the home of his son-in-law Green Ervin Jones, near Dixon's Mills, in Marengo County.

Christopher Pritchett Ezell was a physician but later went into the dental profession. He was in love with Eliza Jane Brodnax and followed her to Brazil where he wooed and won her. Seven children were born to them, with the eighth and last child being born in Birmingham, Alabama. By 1888 Dr. Ezell saw his older children approaching adulthood and, not wishing them to marry a Brazillian, he brought his family to Birmingham where two years later his last child was born.

Issue of Christopher Pritchett and Eliza Jane Brodnax Ezell:

2 sons and 6 daus.

I. Augustus Lenoir<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 31 July 1871

d. 30 Oct. 1953/4 Greenwood, Miss.

m. Amy Hawkins

Issue: 1 dau. 1 son

1. Christopher<sup>9</sup> Ezell

d. at age 9 mos.

2. Alice<sup>9</sup> Ezell

b. Birmingham, Ala.

d.s. aged 22/24, 1932/33 Greenwood, Miss.

II. Arthur<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 1873

d. 1875

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III. Jessie Rolinha<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 29 May 1875

d. 1907

m. 1898

Robert Emmett Murphy

Issue: four children; at least one d.s.

Ethel Rolinha<sup>9</sup> Murphy - m. 27 Sept. 1927 Baltimore, Md.

Robert Alexander Ware. Present address: 11615 S.W. 97th Ave.,  
Miami, Fla.

IV. Annie Brodnax<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 5 Dec. 1877 Santa Barbara, Brazil

d. 9 Apr. 1961 Lakeville, Mass. (nursing home)

m. 24 Feb. 1903 Birmingham, Ala.

Fred Douglas Costello, son of Thomas Costello

who m. 1860 in Lowell, Mass. Elizabeth Ostrander

Fred Douglas Costello and family moved to Phoenix, Arizona in  
Jan. 1909 and then, in 1961, he went to Taunton, Mass.

Issue: 4 sons, 1 dau.

( 1. Fred Douglas<sup>9</sup> Costello, Jr.

b. 19 Apr. 1905 Birmingham, Ala.

d. 12 Nov. 1945 Taunton, Mass. d.s.

( 2. Frank<sup>9</sup> Costello

b. 19 Apr. 1905 - stillborn

3. Annie May<sup>9</sup> Costello

b. 13 Dec. 1906 Birmingham, Ala.

m. 18 Oct. 1933 Taunton, Mass.

Dr. Benjamin Robbins Tilden

Issue: 1 son, 2 daus.

i. Nancy Ruth<sup>10</sup> Tilden

b. 19 Sept. 1934 New Bedford, Mass.

m. 17 Aug. 1957 Marion, Mass.

David Lewis Brown

b. 23 Feb. 1936 Boston, Mass.

Issue: 3 sons, 2 daus.

Twins

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- A. Karen Roberta<sup>11</sup> Brown, b. 27 Mar. 1959 Ithaca, N.Y.
- B. Michael David<sup>11</sup> Brown, b. 6 Aug. 1960
- C-D. Twins - Linda Ann<sup>11</sup> and Russell Thomas<sup>11</sup> Brown  
b. 5 Oct. 1962 Framington, Mass.
- E. Alan Lewis<sup>11</sup> Brown, b. 20 Nov. 1963 Framington
- ii. Joan Atherton<sup>10</sup> Tilden  
b. 17 Sept. 1936 New Bedford, Mass.  
m. 3 May 1959 Marion, Mass.  
Robert Malcolm Snyder  
b. 14 Dec. 1935 New Rochelle, N. Y.  
Issue: 3 sons  
A. John Malcolm<sup>11</sup> Snyder b. 27 Apr. 1960 Hawaii  
B. Peter Alan<sup>11</sup> Snyder b. 9 Jan. 1962 Newport, R.I.  
C. Daniel Benjamin<sup>11</sup> Snyder b. 29 Mar. 1965 Ithaca, N.Y.
- iii. Thomas Niles<sup>10</sup> Tilden  
b. 20 Feb. 1940 New Bedford, Mass.  
m. 14 Aug. 1965 Mattapoisett, Mass.  
Linda Preston Valley  
b. 12 Oct. 1940 Fairhaven, Mass.  
Issue: Twin sons, 2 daus.  
A-B. William Joseph<sup>11</sup> and Robert Joseph<sup>11</sup> Tilden  
b. 12 Nov. 1966 Wareham, Mass.  
C. Laura Lee<sup>11</sup> Tilden b. 22 May 1969 Wareham, Mass.  
D. Rebecca Lynn<sup>11</sup> Tilden b. 2 Sept. 1970
- (4. Robert Ezell<sup>9</sup> Costello  
b. 16 Sept. 1909 Phoenix, Ariz.  
m. 12 July 1947 Taunton, Mass. to  
Phyllis Chase  
Issue: 1 dau.  
Twins
  - i. Susan Roberta<sup>10</sup> Costello  
b. 12 July 1948 Taunton, Mass.
- (5. Raymond Beauchamp<sup>9</sup> Costello  
b. 16 Sept. 1909 Phoenix, Ariz.  
m. 12 June 1948 Taunton, Mass.  
Judith W. Nelson  
Issue: 2 sons

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- i. David Nelson<sup>10</sup> Costello b. 5 May 1950 Taunton, Mass.
- ii. Raymond Douglass<sup>10</sup> Costello b. 23 June 1953 Taunton, Mass.

V. Liele<sup>8</sup> Ezell - b. and d. 1880

VI. Robert Ingersoll<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 26 Sept. 1882 m. Elizabeth Beaumont

Issue: 1 son

1. Robert Brodnax<sup>9</sup> Ezell b. about 1910

VII. Julia May<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 13 May 1884 d. July 1904

m. April 1904 to Dan Shelby

VIII. Chrisie Mabel Jeannette<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 12 March 1890 Birmingham, Ala.

m. 26 April 1908 to Dr. Thomas Calvin Kelly

Issue: 4 sons, 1 dau.

1. May Ezell<sup>9</sup> Kelly

b. 11 Nov. 1909 Thomasville, Ala.

m. 2 July 1939 Sidon, Miss.

Harry Hayes Harrell

d. 30 May 1964

2. William Thomas<sup>9</sup> Kelly

b. 13 July 1913 Thomasville, Ala.

m. and lives in Phoenix, Ariz.

Edwinia Mitchell

b. 31 Jan. 1921 Baton Rouge, La.

Issue: 1 dau.

i. Lynette<sup>10</sup> Kelly

b. 1 July 1947 Baton Rouge, La. (now in Eugene, Ore.)

3. Robert Lenoir<sup>9</sup> Kelly

b. 17 Feb. 1918 Port St. Joe, Fla.

d. 3 Sept. 1939 d.s. bur. Sidon, Miss.



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d. 3 Sept. 1939 d.s. bur. Sidon, Miss.

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4. John Denmark<sup>9</sup> Kelly

b. 9 Oct. 1920 Wrens, Ga.

d. 17 Aug. 1970 Natchez, Miss. bur. Sidon, Miss.

m. Helen Pope

b. 18 Sept. \_\_\_\_\_, Hollandale, Miss.

Address: 103 Cedar Circle, Natchez, Miss.

Issue: 2 daus.

i. Dianel<sup>10</sup> Kelly b. 18 May 1941 Greenwood, Miss.

m. Barkley Alan Boyd - Div.

Issue: 1 son

A. Barkley Alan<sup>11</sup> Boyd, Jr.

b. 13 Nov. 1966 Fort Rucker, Ala.

ii. Deborah Lynn<sup>10</sup> Kelly b. 14 Dec. 1952 Greenwood, Miss.

5. Carsley Brodnax<sup>9</sup> Kelly

b. 1 Feb. 1924 Sidon, Miss.

m. Melva Anderson of Dallas, Texas

b. 24 Sept. 1927 Dallas, Texas

d. 10 July 1971 Mesquite, Texas

Issue: 2 sons, 1 dau.

i. Robert Jerald<sup>10</sup> Kelly b. 12 Jan. 1949 Dallas, Tex.

ii. Cherrylann<sup>10</sup> Kelly b. 22 Sept. 1956 Denver, Colo.

iii. Michael David<sup>10</sup> Kelly b. 12 or 18 Jan. 1962 Denver, Colo.

ROBERT LENOIR EZELL

Robert<sup>7</sup> Lenoir Ezell (Miel, Jr.<sup>6</sup>, Miel<sup>5</sup>, William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) was born<sup>132</sup> 2 February 1839 in Suggsville, Alabama, and died 5 November 1903 in Suggsville, Alabama. On 22 January 1868 he married Ann Eliza Morris who was born 11 May 1847. Issue: 3 sons, 3 daus.

I. Christopher Pritchett Jr.<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 5 July 1869

d. 30 July 1890 Birmingham, Ala.

No issue.

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II. Mary Louise<sup>8</sup> (Loulie) Ezell

b. 8 Aug. 1871

m. J. B. Cleveland

Issue: 5 daus.

Mary (Mamie), Lila, Elizabeth (Bessie), Ann Eliza and  
Frances

One is Mrs. Everett E. Jackson, 119 Pecan St., Fairhope, Ala.

III. William Morris<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 1 July 1873

d. 2 Dec. 1945 Mobile, Ala.

m. 19 Dec. 1907 Jackson, Ala.

Marietta Aldridge

b. 1 Feb. 1889 Lower Peachtree, Ala.

No issue.

IV. Nannie Adele<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 23 Feb. 1877 Suggsville, Ala.

d. 1959

m. 1st William Walter Bates

b. 16 Dec. 1865

d. 24 June 1901

m. 2nd George White

Issue by 1st husband: 1 dau.

1. Willie Murphy Bates<sup>9</sup>

b. 18 Feb. 1902 Suggsville, Ala.

m. 6 July 1922

Emory Bush Peebles

b. 18 April 1889

d. 16 Aug. 1958 Mobile, Ala.

Issue: 1 dau.

i. Nancy<sup>10</sup> Peebles

b. 13 Apr. 1931 Mobile, Ala.

m. 1 Apr. 1951

William Fowlkes Morrisette

b. 5 May 1923

Issue: 3 sons, 1 dau.

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- A. Marie Pendleton<sup>11</sup> Morrisette b. 22 Nov. 1951  
Charlotte, N. C.
- B. Darrow Peebles<sup>11</sup> Morrisette b. 21 Sept. 1954  
Charlotte, N. C.
- C. William Fowlkes<sup>11</sup> Morrisette b. 30 July 1957  
Charlotte, N. C.
- D. David Welch<sup>11</sup> Morrisette b. 10 Sept. 1959  
Richmond, Va.

Issue by 2nd husband: 2 daus.

1. Nancy Inez<sup>9</sup> White

b. 2 Feb. 1905

m. 28 Aug. 1930

John Newton Thomas

b. 28 Mar. 1903

Issue: 1 son, 1 dau.

i. Nancy White<sup>10</sup> Thomas

b. 18 Nov. 1934

m. 18 Oct. 1957

Robert Edmond Hill

ii. John Newton<sup>10</sup> Thomas, Jr. b. 18 July 1940

2. Mary Louise<sup>9</sup> White

b. 4 Feb. 1910

m. 1st 1 Oct. 1933

Jarnigan Chesley Rice, Jr.

b. 10 Nov. 1907

d. 5 Apr. 1939

m. 2nd 10 May 1942

Eugene Reese Dawson

b. 1 Aug. 1906

Issue by 1st husband: 2 daus.

i. Mary Louise<sup>10</sup> Rice

b. 26 May 1935

m. 2 Aug. 1957

Billy Dabbs

b. 16 Oct. 1922

ii. Jane Armistead<sup>10</sup> Rice b. 20 Sept. 1937



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Issue by 2nd husband: 1 son

iii. Jean Lewis<sup>10</sup> Dawson b. 26 Jan. 1945

V. Robert Lenoir<sup>8</sup> Ezell

b. 7 May 1881

d. 7 Jan. 1962

m. 12 June 1907

Miriam Jackson

b. 17 Dec. 1883

Issue: 2 sons, 2 daus.

1. Miriam<sup>9</sup> Ezell

b. 19 Mar. 1908

m. 21 Sept. 1935

Ralph O'Ferrall

Issue: 2 daus.

i. Miriam Mary<sup>10</sup> O'Farrell

b. 19 Oct. 1937

m. 2 Feb. 1956

James H. McAllily, Jr. b. Aug. 1938

Issue: 1 son, 1 dau.

A. Ralph Martin<sup>11</sup> McAllily b. 27 Nov. 1956

B. Cynthia Linn<sup>11</sup> McAllily b. 7 Dec. 1958

ii. Elizabeth Ann<sup>10</sup> O'Ferrall b. 20 Apr. 1940

2. Annie Morris<sup>9</sup> Ezell

b. 22 Apr. 1911

m. 24 Nov. 1937

George Bailey Pickett

b. 2 July 1909

Issue: 1 son, 1 dau.

i. Ruth Ezell<sup>10</sup> Pickett b. 28 Jan. 1943

ii. George Bailey<sup>10</sup> Pickett, Jr. b. 20 Aug. 1945

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3. Robert Lenoir<sup>9</sup> Ezell, III  
b. 10 Oct. 1913  
m. 21 Oct. 1945  
Christine Shrebetette (in Belgium)  
b. 23 July 1924  
Issue: 3 sons, 1 dau.  
i. William S.<sup>10</sup> Ezell b. 21 Aug. 1948  
ii. Frederick R.<sup>10</sup> Ezelle b. 1 Sept. 1950  
iii. Frank Loy<sup>10</sup> Ezell b. 17 Dec. 1951  
iv. Isabelle Ann<sup>10</sup> Ezell b. 15 Oct. 1956

4. Fred Jackson<sup>9</sup> Ezell  
b. 18 Jan. 1915  
m. 13 Mar. 1948  
Katherine Ann Grimes  
b. 23 July 1922  
Issue: 2 sons, 2 daus.  
i. Robert Kendrick<sup>10</sup> Ezell b. 10 Oct. 1949  
ii. Karen Lenoir<sup>10</sup> Ezell b. 20 Apr. 1952  
iii. Charles Frederick<sup>10</sup> Ezell b. 1 Nov. 1955  
iv. Cory Jackson<sup>10</sup> Ezell b. 30 Dec. 1957

VI. Inez<sup>8</sup> Ezell

- b. 9 May 1884 Suggsville, Ala.  
m. 3 Oct. 1906 Marion, Ala.

Thomas Holman Barker

Issue: 2 daus.

1. Ann Eliza<sup>9</sup> Barker

b. 15 Aug. 1907 Marion, Ala.

m. 15 Feb. 1932 New York

Harvey Plummer, Jr.

Issue: 1 dau.

- i. Margaret Ann<sup>10</sup> Plummer

b. 3 Dec. 1933 Hattiesburg, Miss.

m. 1 Mar. 1952 Amite, La.

Wiley K. Bell

Issue: 1 son, 1 dau.

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A. Anne Marie<sup>11</sup> Bell b. 21 Jan. 1953 Jackson, Miss.

B. Michael Wiley<sup>11</sup> Bell b. 8 Aug. 1958

2. Margaret Holman<sup>9</sup> Barker

b. 9 Feb. 1909 Marion, Ala.

m. 1st 3 Dec. 1929 Laurel, Miss.

Frank J. Reynolds

m. 2nd 30 Oct. 1937 Hattiesburg, Miss.

Shelby Hartfield

Issue: 1st husband: 1 dau.

i. Margaret Ann<sup>10</sup> Reynolds

b. 11 Feb. 1934 Mobile, Ala.

m. 6 Feb. 1953 Newark, N. J.

William Morocco

Issue: 1 son

A. William<sup>11</sup> Morocco, Jr. b. 15 Oct. 1955

Nutley, New Jersey

Issue: 2nd husband: 1 son, 1 dau.

i. Linda Rae<sup>10</sup> Hartfield b. 8 Nov. 1940 Hattiesburg, Miss.

ii. Robert Shelby<sup>10</sup> Hartfield b. 10 Oct. 1943

Hattiesburg, Miss.

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<sup>129</sup>Additions from Benjamin R. Tilden, Marion, Mass., 15 June 1969.

<sup>130</sup>William R. Armistead, Beneath Southern Sod. Doroliski (the above Delisha) daughter of Miel and Maria Ezell and wife of Rev. R. M. Powers was born 29 August 1843 and died 13 \_\_\_\_ 1871. p. 214.

<sup>131</sup>Information on this family furnished by Dr. Benjamin R. Tilden, 62 Pleasant St., Marion, Mass. 02738, and Mrs. Mamie Jones Kelly (Mrs. Byron T. Kelly), 1007 Strong Ave., Greenwood, Miss. 38930. For further Brodnax information write the above Mrs. Kelly and Miss Alice L. Ingram, Prest Apts., Richmond, Va.

<sup>132</sup>Information on this family furnished by Mrs. Emory Bush Peebles, 1006 Government St., Mobile, Ala. in 1960; Mrs. R. L. Ezell, 1002 Arlington, Jackson, Miss.; Mr. W. R. Armistead, 634 Donald St., Mobile, Ala.

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PART IV - CHAPTER 2

WILLIAM F. EZELL

William<sup>6</sup> F. Ezell, (Miel<sup>5</sup>, William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) was the eldest of Miel and Priscilla Rives Ezell's three sons. He was born about 1790 in Greensville County, Virginia and died 1839 in Clarke County, Alabama. The Ezells, with the Wilsons, came to Alabama in 1817, first locating on the Alabama River. Afterwards,<sup>108</sup> they settled a few miles south of Suggsville. William F. Ezell was appointed guardian to his brothers, Miel and Addison Ezell, while Priscilla, his sister, chose Gabriel Hawkins, her sister Angeline's husband, as her guardian. This was the first Monday of May 1818.

William F. Ezell's wife was Lucy Wilson, daughter of Joshua and Barbara Roper (Roaper) Wilson. Her estate<sup>109</sup> settlement was begun 9 January 1839 with her brothers Joshua S. and James M. Wilson, as administrators. 2 September 1844 shows Miel Ezell, her husband's brother, as administrator.<sup>110</sup> He was guardian for William F. and Lucy Wilson's two minor sons, Miel S. and John F. Ezell. They gave their uncle a receipt for their share, indicating that they were of age, therefore, born between the years 1820-1824.

The estate settlement<sup>111</sup> of William F. Ezell was begun 2 December 1839. He and his wife died within about a year of each other. The estate was divided between the following heirs: daughter, Lucy Adaline Fleming, wife of James A. Fleming, and three sons, William W. Ezell, Miel S. Ezell, and John F. Ezell.

Issue of William F. and Lucy Wilson Ezell: 3 sons and 1 daughter

I. William W.<sup>7</sup> Ezell - b. 1815-1820<sup>112</sup>

d. 2 April 1839, Clarke Co.<sup>113</sup>

Margaret C. McMillian

No issue could be found.

II. Lucy Adaline<sup>7</sup> Ezell - b. 1823<sup>114</sup>

m. 10 November 1837<sup>115</sup>

James A. Fleming

d. 1849 Clarke Co. Ala.<sup>116</sup>

Parents of James A. Fleming were James F. and Margaret Fleming. He had one sister, Martha Mary

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PART IV - CHAPTER 4

MARY ANN EZELL

Mary Ann<sup>6</sup> Ezell (Miel<sup>5</sup>, William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) married William Marks. She was born in 1800, Halifax County, North Carolina, according to the 1810 Census, as was her twin sister, Ann Maria Ezell. They lived on a plantation in Alabama at what is now known as Manilla and were served by the Suggsville Post Office. William F. Marks died in the first quarter of 1831. His widow was murdered by a slave, Harbart, later in the year. All their children were minors and the estate settlement which was begun 19 December 1831 was continued over a period of years until the youngest child, Mary William Marks, became of age.

Miel Ezell, Mary Ann's brother, was the administrator of the Marks estate. He filed a bill for the 1831 expense of paying a guard to bring the slave, Harbart, to jail. Harbart was carried to the Monroe County, Alabama, jail for safe keeping and the estate was charged for the irons, rings, and staples, in connection with the "ironing and jailing" of Harbart. He was executed and the state reimbursed the estate for him since he was Negro property.

At first, Miel Ezell was guardian of the Marks children but, in 1838, Christopher Pritchett, husband of Mary Ann's twin sister, was guardian of all but John Norphlet Marks. Addison (Anderson) Ezell, younger brother of Mary Ann, was the guardian of John Norphlet Marks. The Marks children grew up in the Pritchett and Addison and Miel Ezell, Jr. homes, and were educated in Suggsville schools.

Issue of William and Mary Ann Ezell Marks - 2 sons, 4 daus.

(Not in order of birth. From Walter Byron Wilson, Rt. 6, Box 216, Bessemer, Alabama 35020, and J. Richard McLure, Murphysboro, Ill.)

I. Richard Fleming<sup>7</sup> Marks b. 1822 Clarke Co., Ala.

d. Clarke Co., Ala. Bur. Gainstown, Clarke Co., Ala.

After the death of his parents in 1831, he lived with his uncle, Miel Ezell.

m. 21 Nov. 1848 Clarke Co., Ala. 126

Elizabeth M. Bumis

Issue: 3 sons, 3 daus.

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ANGELINE EZELL

Angeline Ezell<sup>6</sup> (Miel<sup>5</sup>, William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) married Gabriel Hawkins, as is noted in the will and estate settlement of her sister, Ann Maria Ezell Pritchett. Angeline was born between 1794 and 1800 by the Halifax County, North Carolina, census report. She was deceased by 1862. Angeline and Gabriel's children and grandchildren named in their aunt's will were:

Monroe Hawkins<sup>7</sup>, 1/4 estate - living 1862  
Caroline Raeford<sup>7</sup>, 1/4 estate - living 1862  
Grandison Hawkins<sup>7</sup>, 1/4 estate - deceased by 1862 -  
to his children, not named  
Adeline Hawkins<sup>7</sup>, 1/4 estate - deceased by 1862

m. \_\_\_\_\_ Gordon  
1. Milton<sup>8</sup> Gordon  
2. Dyonesia<sup>8</sup> Gordon  
3. Olivia<sup>8</sup> Gordon whose husband was  
James Donelly  
4. Daughter<sup>8</sup> m. \_\_\_\_\_ Negus  
Their son: Augustus<sup>9</sup> Negus

The 1830 Census of Clarke County, Alabama, p. 1, shows in Gabriel Hawkins' household the following:

1 - Male 5-10 (1820-1825)  
2 - Males 10-15 (1815-1820)  
2 - Males 30-40 (1790-1800), one was himself  
1 - Female 5-10 (1830-1825)  
1 - Female 10-15 (1815-1820)  
1 - Female 30-40 (1790-1800) Angeline

Gabriel Hawkins was not listed in the 1840 Census of Clarke County, Alabama.

In the household of Ann Maria Ezell Pritchett, 1850 Census of Clarke County, Alabama are the following:

Pritchett, Ann - age 50 - born N. C. (1800)  
Hawkins, Mary - age 10 - born Ala. (1840)  
Violet)  
Martha) Twins 8 - born in Ala. (1842)  
Lenore, R. (Male) - age 59 - born N. C.

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PART IV - CHAPTER 6

MIEL EZELL, JR.

Miel Ezell, Jr.<sup>6</sup> (Miel<sup>5</sup>, William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) was an active and prominent citizen of Clarke County, Alabama. He was born 1802 in Halifax County, North Carolina and died in Clarke County, Alabama 1876/1877. At one time, he was county superintendent of public schools. His wife, Mariah Gordon<sup>129</sup> was born in Georgia (1850 Census, Clarke County, Alabama).

The 1850 Census lists the names and ages of all in Miel's household. They are:

Ezell, Mile - Age 48 (1802) b. N. C.

    Mariah - Age 41 (1809) b. Ga.

    Jane<sup>7</sup> - Age 20 (1830) b. Ala. (m. Richard Rivers 30 Oct. 1851)

    Mile<sup>7</sup> - Age 18 (1832) b. Ala. (lived in Texas)

    Jesse<sup>7</sup> - Age 16 (1834) b. Ala.

    Christy<sup>7</sup> (Pritchett) - Age 14 (1836) b. Ala.

                    (later lived in Brazil)

    Robert L.<sup>7</sup> - Age 11 (1839) b. Ala. (lived in Suggsville, Ala.)

    Ann M.<sup>7</sup> - age 9 (1841) b. Ala.

    Delisha<sup>7</sup> - Age 7 (1843) b. Ala. (m. Rev. R. M. Powers<sup>130</sup>)  
                    d. 1871

    Addison<sup>7</sup> - Age 5 (1845) b. Ala.

    Sarah Fidelia<sup>7</sup> - Age 2 (1847) b. Ala. (m. a Dr. Johnston and  
        lived in Marion, Ala. Had a large family. Two were:  
        Ella Johnson m. \_\_\_\_Fullwiller. Robie Johnson, d. in  
        teens.)

Andrew<sup>7</sup> and William<sup>7</sup> were included in the Ezell Bible owned by Miss Ann Ezell of Grove Hill, Clarke County, Alabama. They were probably born after the 1850 Census was taken. Only five of the eleven children of Miel and Mariah Gordon Ezell reached adulthood.

Records for only two of the above children, Christopher Pritchett Ezell and Robert Lenoir Ezell, were available.



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PART IV - CHAPTER 7  
ANDERSON (ADDISON) EZELL

Anderson<sup>6</sup> (Addison) Ezell, (Miel<sup>5</sup>, William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) was the youngest of three sons born to Miel and Priscilla Rives Ezell. According to census reports in Halifax County, North Carolina, he was born between 1800 and 1810 and was deceased by 1850 in Clarke County, Alabama. His wife was Jane Carolyn Gordon born 1815 in Georgia. They were married<sup>133</sup> 12 February 1832.

T. C. Ezell received one-seventh of his aunt's (Ann Maria Ezell Pritchett) estate, in 1862, his father being deceased at that time. Evidently he was the only child of his parents, as no others were legatees for their father's portion.

On 3 January 1861, T. C. Ezell married<sup>134</sup> Elizabeth C. Finch. Records<sup>135</sup> show that on 12 April 1831, Addison Ezell of Clarke County, Alabama, sold to Benjamin Edmunds of Halifax County, North Carolina, for \$500.00, 85-1/2 acres and, on the same date<sup>136</sup>, he sold to Benjamin Campbell of Halifax County, North Carolina, 17 acres for \$34.00. He signed his name as "Addison Ezell." He is named "Anderson Ezell" in his father's will.

Addison Ezell's widow became the wife of Richard Rivers, his second wife, on 30 October 1851, according to Marriage book "B", page 168, in Clarke County. They had two sons, William Addison Rivers, born 1853 and Gordon Severt Rivers born 1856, as per the 1860 census of Clarke County.

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<sup>133</sup>Clarke Co., Mg. Bk. I, p. 249.

<sup>134</sup>Ibid., Bk. B, p. 312.

<sup>135</sup>Halifax Co., N. C. Real Estate, V. 28, pp. 268-269.

<sup>136</sup>Ibid., p. 318.

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PART IV - CHAPTER 8

PRISCILLA EZELL

Priscilla<sup>6</sup> Ezell (Miel<sup>5</sup>, William, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, William, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Michael<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>) married a Mr. Williams. She was born between 1800 and 1810 in Halifax County, North Carolina. Very little is known about her except that she was living when her sister, Ann Maria Ezell Pritchett, died in 1862 and she received one-seventh of the estate.

Some of the Ezells are buried at Old Fort Madison, near Manilla, Alabama, in the Old Fort Madison Cemetery.

By 1862, only three of the eight children of Miel and Priscilla Rives Ezell were living. According to the settlement of Ann Maria Ezell Pritchett's estate, they were Elizabeth Ezell Wilson, Miel Ezell and Priscilla Ezell Williams.



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10 yrs. of age at the time the will was made. He bequeathed to his daughter, Anne, a feather bed and furniture, a copper kettle and 15 Lbs. current money. He bequeathed to "my loving and beloved wife, Anne", all the rest of his estate. He appointed his wife, Anne EZELL, the sole Executrix of his will and requested that no appraisal be made of his estate.

The Albemarle Parish Register, p 42, gives the names of six children as having been born to Timothy EZELL, Jr. and his wife, Anne.

ISSUE OF TIMOTHY<sup>2</sup> EZELL, 14, and his wife, Anne

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|---------|--------------------------|---|
| 27, i   | Isaac <sup>3</sup> EZELL | b 7 April 1743, Surry Co., Va.;<br>Sponsors, none given.                                    |
| 28, ii  | Mary                     | b 17 March 1744, Surry Co., Va.;<br>Sponsors, Penelope Green, Elizabeth EZELL.              |
| 29, iii | Richard                  | b 5 Aug 1747, Surry Co., Va.;<br>Sponsors, none given.                                      |
|         | iv Ann                   | b 27 Feb 1748, Surry Co., Va.;<br>Sponsors, William Rose, Mary EZELL, Lucy Peerman.         |
|         |                          | d Oct 1749  |
| 30, v   | Timothy                  | b 16 Sept 1750, Surry Co., Va.;<br>Sponsors, John Jenkins, John Bennett, Lucretia Peerman.  |
| 31, vi  | James                    | b 16 Feb 1752, Surry Co., Va.;<br>Sponsors, Richard Wiggins, Jr., Sam'l. Wiggins, Mary Lee. |

GEORGE EZELL

19, GEORGE<sup>2</sup> EZELL (Timothy<sup>1</sup>, 7; George) the seventh child and fourth son of Timothy and Mary EZELL, was born about 1738-1739, Surry County, Virginia. George is named in his father's will as "my son, George EZELL", and was bequeathed 210 acres of land on Lightwood Branch of Poplar Swamp, Sussex County, Virginia. His father also appointed him as the executor of his will.

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George EZELL is later identified by court records as living in Hertford County, Province of North Carolina. Deed Book D, p 304, Sussex County, Virginia, records a lien dated 21 February 1770. The lien is for the sum of 5 Lbs Virginia money and is on 50 acres "said land being a part of the tract conveyed to George EZELL by his father, Timothy EZELL". This lien was given by George EZELL and his wife, Amey EZELL, Hertford County, Province of North Carolina, to Thomas EZELL of Albemarle Parish, Sussex County, Virginia. There is also recorded in Deed Book D, p 469, Sussex County, Virginia, a deed by George EZELL stating that a certain tract of land being sold was a part "of a legacy from my father, Timothy EZELL, the land bordering that of Thomas EZELL". It would appear from these records that soon after the death of his father, Timothy EZELL, George and Amey EZELL sold their possessions in Virginia and moved to Hertford County, North Carolina.

The Albemarle Parish Register, p 43, records a child born to George and Amey EZELL in March 1766, Sussex County, Virginia. This indicates they were married about 1765, and that George was born about 1738-1739. His wife, Amey, was born about 1744.

ISSUE OF GEORGE<sup>2</sup> EZELL, 19, and his wife, Amey

- 50, i Jesse<sup>3</sup> EZELL, b. 22 March 1766, Sussex Co., Va.  
(There may have been other children. No further research has been done on this family).

CHAPTER 4

THE THIRD GENERATION

20, JOHN<sup>3</sup> EZELL (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, 13, Timothy<sup>1</sup>, George) the first son of Thomas and Anne EZELL was born 10 Feb 1742, Albemarle Parish, Surry Co., Va. Although he is not named as a son in his father's will, Thomas EZELL, Sr., there are several records which prove the relationship. In Deed Bk D, pp 306-308, Sussex Co., Va., there is a deed dated 17 January 1771, "to a tract of land to



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Hartwell EZELL migrated from Virginia to South Carolina, thence to Georgia, where he first settled in Burke County. Then, in 1793, he moved to Jasper County, Georgia, where he bought land and settled near Monticello. The land records of Jasper County, Jasper County Court House, Monticello, Georgia, verify this information. Hartwell EZELL was one of the earliest settlers and a leading citizen of Jasper County. He was a highly respected and much loved man. He married Sealey LOWREY ca. 1792 or early 1793. She was born 15 March 1767 and died 3 October 1814, Jasper County, Georgia. Hartwell and Sealey (Lowrey) EZELL had a son named Simeon. This seems to indicate that she was the daughter of Simeon Lowrey. Hartwell EZELL fought for liberty in the Revolutionary War. The Daughters of The American Revolution erected a monument at his grave. He died 17 November 1836 and is buried near Monticello, Jasper County, Georgia. Both he and his wife, Sealey, are buried in the family cemetery located on his farm.

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The earliest record of land purchased by Hartwell EZELL in Jasper Co., Ga. is a deed from Levi Spain to Hartwell EZELL for 202½ acres for which Hartwell paid \$500.00. This was before the name of that part of the county was changed from Baldwin to Jasper County. The deed is dated 16 May 1809, recorded 1 July 1812 (Bk 5, pp 307-308), Office of Clerk of Superior Court, Jasper Co., Ga. At the time this deed was made, both parties were residents of Burke Co., Ga.

In 1827, while a resident of Jasper County, Georgia, Hartwell EZELL was granted land as a Revolutionary soldier. Memoirs of Georgia, Vol II, p 726, and Georgia's Roster of the Revolution p 351.

Six generations of Hartwell EZELL'S family have continued to live in Jasper County. Over the years, they have been active in religious life and in public, agricultural, political, and business affairs. At one time four of Hartwell's descendants were in public office in the Jasper County Court House, Monticello, Ga. There have been at least six physicians, one evangelist, one lawyer, several teachers, and many business men among his descendants. During the War Between the States, four of his grandsons were fighting in The Confederate Army. In every war since, many of his descendants have been represented in the armed forces.

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Among other names found in this BIBLE is that of Henry G. EZELL. Until recently, it was thought that Henry G. was probably the first child born to Hartwell EZELL by a first wife of which there is no record. Of course, it could be that Hartwell was married twice and that Henry G. was his son. The Henry G. listed in the BIBLE was born 15 November 1789, and married Mary DAVIS on 28 November 1816, Jasper County, Georgia. In a letter, dated 19 March 1960, Gibson Greer EZELL wrote he faintly recalls having heard his father speak of a distant cousin named Henry G. EZELL. It is known that Hartwell EZELL had a half-brother named John EZELL. He is now inclined to believe that Henry G. was the son of John and the nephew of Hartwell, and therefore, is the cousin he remembers hearing his father speak of. Mr. G.G. EZELL further wrote that he had just found a list of slave owners in Burke County, Georgia, dated 1 October 1798, and that this list included the name John EZELL. Since Hartwell EZELL first went to Burke County, Georgia, he now believes the slave owner, John EZELL, was Hartwell's half-brother.

\*Hartwell EZELL migrated from Virginia to South Carolina, thence to Georgia, where he first settled in Burke County. Then, in 1793, he moved to Jasper County, Georgia, where he bought land and settled near Monticello. The land records of Jasper County, Jasper County Court House, Monticello, Georgia, verify this information. Hartwell EZELL was one of the earliest settlers and a leading citizen of Jasper County. He was a highly respected and much loved man. He married Sealey LOWREY ca. 1792 or early 1793. She was born 15 March 1767 and died 3 October 1814, Jasper County, Georgia. Hartwell and Sealey (Lowrey) EZELL had a son named Simeon. This seems to indicate that she was the daughter of Simeon Lowrey.

Hartwell EZELL fought for liberty in the Revolutionary War. The Daughters of The American Revolution erected a monument at his grave. He died 17 November 1836 and is buried near Monticello, Jasper County, Georgia. Both he and his wife, Sealey, are buried in the family cemetery located on his farm.

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The earliest record of land purchased by Hartwell EZELL in Jasper Co., Ga. is a deed from Levi Spain to Hartwell EZELL for 202½ acres for which Hartwell paid \$500.00. This was before the name of that part of the county was changed from Baldwin to Jasper County. The deed is dated 16 May 1809, recorded 9 July 1812 (Bk 5, pp 307-308), Office of Clerk of Superior Court, Jasper Co., Ga. At the time this deed was made, both parties were residents of Burke Co., Ga.

In 1827, while a resident of Jasper County, Georgia, Hartwell EZELL was granted land as a Revolutionary Soldier. Memoirs of Georgia, Vol II, p 726, and Georgia's Roster of the Revolution p 351.

Six generations of Hartwell EZELL'S family have continued to live in Jasper County. Over the years, they have been active in religious life and in public, agricultural, political, and business affairs. At one time four of Hartwell's descendants were in public office in the Jasper County Court House, Monticello, Ga. There have been at least six physicians, one evangelist, one lawyer, several teachers, and many business men among his descendants. During the War Between the States, four of his grandsons were fighting in The Confederate Army. In every war since, many of his descendants have been represented in the armed forces.

ISSUE OF HARTWELL<sup>4</sup> EZELL, 51, and his wife, Sealey LOWREY  
74, i Sarah<sup>5</sup> EZELL b. 4 Dec 1793, Jasper Co., Ga.  
75, ii John b. 13 June 1795, Jasper Co., Ga.  
76, iii Simeon S. b. 17 March 1797, Jasper Co., Ga.  
77, iv Braxton H.<sup>7</sup> b. 28 Dec 1798, Jasper Co., Ga.  
78, v Candace b. 27 Nov 1801, Jasper Co., Ga.  
79, vi Hartwell H. b. 19 Dec 1806, Jasper Co., Ga.

82, LUCY<sup>4</sup> EZELL (John<sup>3</sup>, 20; Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>, George)--  
the third child and second daughter of John EZELL, Jr.  
and his wife, Jane, was born 20 April 1767, Albemarle  
Parish, Va. She married Thomas DEAN in 1785, by whom  
there were 11 children, according to the report of

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one of her descendants, Nannie N. LUNSFORD (Mrs. C. L. GILMORE). Thomas DEAN was born in 1760 and died 1830.

ISSUE OF LUCY<sup>4</sup> EZELL, 52, and her husband, Thomas DEAN

i	Wiley <sup>5</sup> DEAN	
ii	Henry	
iii	John	
iv	William	
v	Jane	m.....AMBROS
vi	Lucy	m.....BULAND
vii	Sarah	m.....WILLIAMS
viii	Candis	m.....KENDRICK
ix	Nancy	m.....ALEXANDER
x	Elizabeth	m.....ALEXANDER
80, xi	Areny	m.....DILLARD

54, MICAJAH<sup>4</sup> EZELL (William<sup>3</sup>, 23; Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>, George)  
the son of William EZELL and his wife, Eudora LaMOTTE,  
was born about 1773 in Virginia. He was called  
Michael and Mike but in his will found among the rec-  
ords of Giles County, Tennessee, he signed his name  
Micajah EZELL. Micajah and his brother, Thomas, were  
witnesses of the marriage of their sister, Susannah,  
to Jeremiah EZELL in 1797, Brunswick County, Virginia.  
In this record his name is spelled Mical EZELL. This  
record indicates both he and Thomas had reached the  
age of 21 by 1797. Micajah had a younger brother,  
Timothy EZELL, whose birthdate is known. Timothy was  
born in 1775. The 1820 Census of Giles County,  
Tennessee, lists Micajah (Michael) as being over 45  
years of age in 1820. His wife's age is given as being  
between 26 and 45. This same census schedule shows  
that Micajah had in his family in addition to him-  
self and his wife: 1 m 26-45; 2 m 18-26; 1 m 16-18;  
and 2 f under 10. These indicate Micajah was born  
about 1773. It would also seem logical to assume that  
his brother Thomas was older than he and that Thomas  
was born about 1771-1772. Micajah EZELL was in Union  
District, South Carolina, in 1801. Book G, p 226,  
dated 20 October 1801, Micajah EZELL, Jeremiah EZELL,  
and John NEWTON purchased 705 acres from Alexander M.

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Curtis E. Ezell

~~7750 Moffett Rd. Lot 19.~~

~~Mobile, Alabama, 36618~~

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## THE INTRODUCTION.

IT is now a little more than two hundred years since the death, in Groton, Mass., of JOHN LAWRENCE, of Wisset, in Suffolk, England, and nearly twenty-two years since the first Genealogy of his descendants in New England was offered to the public.

The edition, of five hundred copies, of "The Family of John Lawrence," published in 1857, has been nearly, if not wholly, taken up.

The money received from the sale, with that given to aid its publication by a friend of the family, has just covered the *pecuniary* expenditure. As yet, therefore, the Genealogy has cost those receiving it but a trifle, no remuneration having been obtained for the *time* and *labor* expended on it.

The cost of printing is now, probably, a hundred per cent greater than in 1857; and the present more accurate and comprehensive Genealogy will be, it is hoped, far more valuable to those for whom it has been published.



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THE NAME.

ARCHBISHOP LAWRENCE.

The first individual of this name who lived in England, yet ascertained, was *Lawrence* the monk. Collier, in his Dictionary, has the name *Laurentius*. In Harris's "History of Kent," it is *Lawrence*. He came from Italy with Austin, who was sent to Britain for the propagation of Christianity in the island.

Upon the death of Austin, he succeeded him to the Archbishopric of Canterbury. He is said to have been both learned and pious; and, at his death, was buried in the Abbey of St. Austins, A.D. 916.

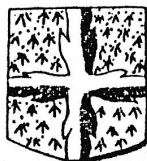
## The Ancestral Lineage

OF

JOHN LAWRENCE, OF WATERTOWN, MASS.

THE lineal ancestry of this stock of Lawrences in America, now found quite numerous in New England and other parts of the country, has been at length very satisfactorily ascertained. As traced and determined, it originates in and is derived from one **Robert Hawrence**, of Lancashire, England; born, probably, as early as A.D. 1150, and the ancestor of the earliest families of the name in England. Attending his sovereign, Richard Cœur de Lion, to the war of the Crusades in the Holy Land, he so distinguished himself in the siege of Acre, that he was knighted "Sir Robert of Ashton Hall," and obtained for his arms, "Argent, a cross raguly gules," A.D. 1191.

The arms of Sir Robert of Ashton Hall, conferred by Richard I., namely, "Argent, a cross raguly gules," were also those of the Lancashire branch generally; also, "He beareth Ermine, a cross raguled gules, by the name of *Lawrence*, of Lancashire;" thus:





"Raguled" is a term used "to represent the rough-hewn stems of a tree from which the branches have been rudely lopped."

Proceeding with the successive generations of aucestry, we have, in order of time, the first, — Sir **Robert Lawrence**, of *Ashton Hall*.

THE SECOND GENERATION.

Sir **Robert**, a son, and the immediate successor, of the knight of the Crusades, to the estate of Ashton Hall, married a daughter of James Trafford, Esq., of Lancashire; by whom he had a son and heir, **James Lawrence**.

THE THIRD GENERATION.

**James** of Ashton Hall married, it is said, "in 1252," Matilda de Washington, an heiress, daughter of John de Washington. A son by this marriage, and the successor of James of Ashton Hall, was **John Lawrence**, said to have been living in the thirty-seventh year of Henry III.

Respecting the names "Lawrence" and "Washington," it may be noted, that Lawrence Washington, a brother of the first President of the United States, was one of the earliest proprietors of Mount Vernon.

THE FOURTH GENERATION.

**John** of Ashton Hall married Margaret, daughter of Walter Chesford; by whom he had a son, **John Lawrence**, his heir and successor.

JOHN LAWRENCE, OF WATERTOWN, MASS.

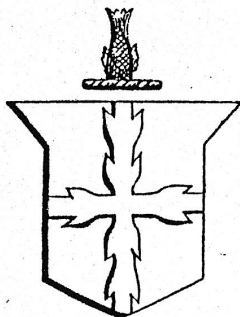
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THE FIFTH GENERATION.

**John**, son of John and Margaret, married Elisabeth Holt, of Stably, in Lancashire; and died, it is said, A.D. 1360, leaving Robert Lawrence, his son and heir.

THE SIXTH GENERATION.

Sir **Robert**, of Ashton Hall, married Margaret Holden, of Lancashire, and had I. Robert; II. Thomas, the father of Arthur Lawrence, Esq., of Prior's Court, in Gloucestershire; III. William, born 1425, or before, who fought under the Lancastrian banner at St. Alban's in 1455, and, having fallen there, was buried in the Abbey; IV. Edmund, who is said to have married a daughter of Miles de Stapleton, a descendant of the distinguished family of that name of Norman extraction. The Gloucestershire branch of the family had the same arms as already given; likewise the Buckinghamshire Lawrences. Thus, "Argent, a cross raguled gules, is borne by a family of the name of Lawrence in Buckinghamshire and Gloucestershire." — "Crest, The tail (or hindmost half) of a chub (fish) inverted and erect."



THE SEVENTH GENERATION.

Sir Robert, son of Sir Robert and Margaret Holden, of Ashton Hall, married Amphibis, daughter of Edward Longford, Esq., of Longford; and had, I. James, heir and successor to the estate of Ashton Hall, who married Cecily, daughter of — Boteler, Esq., of Lancashire, an heiress, and had issue, two sons and a daughter. II. Robert, who married Margaret, daughter of John Lawrence, Esq., of Lancashire, and had sons, Robert and John; the latter of whom commanded a wing of the English army, under Lord Stanley, in the battle of Flodden Field: also William, who became a great landholder. III. Nicholas Lawrence.

THE EIGHTH GENERATION.

Nicholas, son of Sir Robert and Amphibis, was of Agercroft. He married, and had sons, I. Thomas; II. Nicholas; III. Robert; IV. John; V. William; VI. Henry; VII. Oliver, the ancestor of the Crich-Grange branch of Lawrences. The son and successor of Sir Oliver Lawrence was Edward, who died in 1601; leaving a son, Sir Edward, who was knighted in 1619, and died about 1630.

THE NINTH GENERATION.

John, son of Nicholas Lawrence, of Agercroft, was ancestor of the Lawrences of St. James's Park in Suffolk, it is stated in the pedigree of the Lawrences of Ashton Hall. He died in 1461; leaving Thomas Lawrence, of Rumburgh, in Suffolk.

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JOHN LAWRENCE, OF WATERTOWN, MASS.

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THE TENTH GENERATION.

Thomas of Rumburgh held lands in other places; as Holton, Wisset, and South Elmham. He married, and had, I. John; II. Richard, of St. Ives. The will of Thomas Lawrence is dated July 17, 1471.

THE ELEVENTH GENERATION.

John Lawrence, son of Thomas of Rumburgh, married Margery —, by whom he had a son, Robert. His will was made July 10, 1504, the year of his death: his wife died in 1507. Both were buried in the church of Rumburgh.

THE TWELFTH GENERATION.

Robert, son of John and Margery Lawrence, is named in his father's will, and his wife in that of her mother-in-law. Their issue was a son, John Lawrence.

THE THIRTEENTH GENERATION.

John of Rumburgh, mentioned in the will of his grandmother, married Elisabeth —, by whom he had, I. Henry; II. John; III. Agnes; IV. Margaret; V. Katharine; VI. William, of St. James's Park, South Elmham; exiled during the reign of Queen Mary, he afterwards returned, and labored as a preacher at Fressingfield; VII. Richard, of Wisset and Rumburgh, whose will was dated Jan. 27, 1556.



THE FOURTEENTH GENERATION.

John, son of John and Elisabeth Lawrence, married Agnes —, and had, I. John; II. Richard, who died in 1596; III. Susan; IV. Elisabeth; V. Margaret. His wife died Jan. 22, 1583. His will bears date April 27, 1590. He was buried at Rumburgh, May 21, 1590.

THE FIFTEENTH GENERATION.

John, son of John and Agnes Lawrence, was of Wisset, in Suffolk, and married Johan —. They had issue, I. Henry; II. Robert, whose will, dated 1641, names his kinsman, Henry North of Laxfield, a son of Sir Henry North, and grandson of Lord North; III. Margery; IV. Katharine. The will of John Lawrence, of Wisset, is dated June 2, 1606. He was buried Jan. 16, 1607.

THE SIXTEENTH GENERATION.

Henry, son of John and Johan Lawrence, married Mary —, by whom he had John, born at Wisset, and baptized Oct. 8, 1609. The will of John Lawrence, of Wisset, the father of Henry, refers to him as having removed from Wisset to New England, and settled in Charlestown. And on the lists of those who became inhabitants of Charlestown, Mass., in 1635, is the name of Henry Lawrence. Also, "In the first division of land on Mistick side, of ten acres to a house, five of which were given in for after-comers, made, as it appears, Feb. 20, 1638, Henry Lawrence received five acres." A house-lot was granted him in 1635 by George Blott.

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## THE GENEALOGY.

### THE GENERATIONS AND FAMILIES.

#### GENERATION No. I.

1. FAMILY No. I.—**John Lawrence**, son of HENRY and MART, born at Wisset, England; baptized Oct. 8, 1609; came to New England, married Elisabeth —, and settled in Watertown. They had children:—
  2. I. John, b. March 14, 1636. 2, Charlestown.
  3. II. Nathaniel, b. Oct. 15, 1639. 3, Groton.
  4. III. JOSEPH, b. March, 1642; d. May, 1642.
  5. IV. JOSEPH, b. May 30, 1643; m., probably in 1670-1, Rebecca —; had dau. Rebecca baptized in the First Church, Boston, Feb. 1679-80. He was admitted a freeman, May 15, 1672; appointed an executor of his father's estate; and held lands in Groton.
  7. V. JONATHAN, b. —; d. —; buried April 6, 1648.
  8. VI. Mary, b. July 16, 1645. 4, Charlestown.
  9. VII. Peleg, b. Jan. 10, 1646-7. 5, Groton.
  10. VIII. Enoch, b. March 5, 1648-9. 6, Groton.
  11. IX. SAMUEL, b. —; m., it is supposed, Sept. 14, 1682, Rebecca Luen, of Charlestown; and removed to Connecticut.
  12. X. ISAAC, b. —; m., April 19, 1682, Abigail Bellows, b. in Concord, May 6, 1661, who through her mother,

GENERATION No. I.

Mary Woods Bellows, became heir, with her husband, of an uncle, Dea. Isaac Woods, of Marlborough. Isaac Lawrence lived for a time in Norwich, Conn.

13. XI. ELISABETH, b. May 9, 1655, in Boston; and by will of her father "to live with Mr. Ensign Buss, of Concord, till of age."
14. XII. JONATHAN, b. —, in Watertown; probably m., Nov. 5, 1677, Rebecca Rutter, of Cambridge; died in 1725, leaving no issue. By his will, dated Aug. 27, 1725, approved Oct. 29, 1729, he left to the town of Groton "£100 towards the purchasing and procuring a good meeting-house bell, and the putting it up." It was voted, "that the name of Lieut. Jonathan Lawrence be set thereon." Also he left "to the church of Christ in Groton £40, to be laid out for the procuring of some silver vessel or vessels for the church's use, as they shall order;" also "£20, the income to be annually paid or accounted for to the settled or ordained minister."
15. XIII. ZECHARIAH, b. March 9, 1658-9, in Watertown. He was a mariner, and lived probably in Boston. Elisabeth, wife of John Lawrence, died in Groton, Aug. 29, 1663. He m., Nov. 2, 1664, Susanna, daughter of Wm. Batchelder, of Charlestown; by whom he had, —
16. XIV. ABIGAIL, b. Jan. 9, 1666, in Groton.
17. XV. SUSANNA, b. July 3, 1667, in Groton.  
He was admitted a freeman, April 17, 1637, when about twenty-eight years old; though it will be seen, by the early Massachusetts Records, that the freeman's oath was given at first to males of only sixteen years. Feb. 28, 1636, he received three acres of land, his share of a grant then made to the townsmen, a hundred and six in number. In 1650, he

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bought of the town fifteen acres of common land (called King's Common). "In 1654, Hugh Mason received of John Lawrence, clerk, £2. 17s. 6d., money for town or parish use." His removal to Groton is determined by various facts and dates. Town Records are in existence, dated June 23, 1662; the first probably made. As one of the original proprietors, he owned "a twenty-acre right." The sale of his lands and mansion-house in Watertown was made in 1662. In December of the same year, it appears by the records of Groton, "meet men were found amongst the inhabitants," of whom "John Lawrence" was one, "who were chosen selectmen." He was evidently a man of some intelligence and influence, and held a good place in the public esteem. Though a large landholder for the times, he is said to have carried on the business of a carpenter both in Watertown and Boston. He died in Groton, July 11, 1667; leaving his sons Nathaniel and Joseph, and wife Susanna, executors of his will. The widow, Susanna B. Lawrence, died July 8, 1668, in Charlestown.

*Extracts from the will of John Lawrence, sen., deceased 1667.*

- 1st, Of himself. — "I commend my soul into y<sup>e</sup> hands of him who gave it; and my body to y<sup>e</sup> earth, to a decent burial, in full hope of a joyful resurrection, when in my flesh I shall see God."
- 2d, Of his wife. — "I will, y<sup>e</sup> besides what hath been formerly, by legacy, contract, or otherwise, engaged to my wife, and is her due, there be added to it threescore pounds. And my will is, y<sup>e</sup> she have free and full liberty in the first place, and before any other legacy be paid, to make choice out of the whole Estate, either lands or moveables;" "provided, if of lands she shall take of land and meadow proportionable;" "provided, also, that foure oxen be reserved out of the moveables." "And, if she will live in the house during the time of her widowhood, it shall be without molestation."



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GENERATION No. I.

3d, Of his children. — "I will, that, after my lawful debts and engagements are paid, y<sup>e</sup> residue of my estate be disposed to every of my children born to me by my former wife, — to every and each of you an equal portion."

4th, Of Mary. — "Only provided, y<sup>e</sup> my daughter Mary shall have but half y<sup>e</sup> portion with y<sup>e</sup> rest, to teach her a remembrance of her disobedience and unfaithfulness to me in my distress; and y<sup>e</sup> other half of y<sup>e</sup> portion shall fall to my son Zechariah, being y<sup>e</sup> youngest, and incapable of present shifting for himself." The will was witnessed by Samuel Willard and Wm. Lakin, called his "loving friends."

GENERATION No. II.

\* FAMILY No. 2. — John,<sup>1</sup> m., probably 1st, Sept. 30, 1657, Sarah Buckmaster; m., 2d, Susanna —; and lived in Charlestown, it is thought. They had children: —

18. I. HANNAH, b. Feb. 22, 1658-9; m., Sept. 21, 1682,
19. James Capen; and had, 1st, JAMES, b. July 11,
20. 1683; 2d, HANNAH, b. Oct. 13, 1686; m. — Andrews.
21. II. ABIGAIL, bapt. April 24, 1681, age 19; m., Sept. 1, 1684, Edward Wyer. After his death, m., Dec. 25, 1689, Nicholas Lawrence, jun., of Charlestown, who d. Feb. 28, 1710-11. She next m. Edward Clifford, of Charlestown, and d. before 1729.
22. III. SARAH, b. —; d. 1724, in Charlestown.
23. IV. DAVID, b. —; m., Feb. 3, 1700-1, Sarah Whittemore, of Charlestown; had children, as is supposed, 1st,
- 24, 25. URIAH; 2d, ELISABETH; m. — Dickson; had son
26. Jonathan; 3d, CATHERINE; m., March, 1736, Rich-

NOTE. — The figures following certain names, and before the place of residence, indicate the family of such individuals; the figures placed against each "Family" or name, as head, give the number of such person in the total or continued account; while the small numerals at the right of these names express the generation to which each belongs.

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GENERATION No. II.

pot" at his decease. The balance of the estate was to be equally divided among all the heirs. Nathaniel and John Lawrence were sole executors of this his last will and testament, Aug. 4, 1718.

\* FAMILY No. 4. — *Harry*,<sup>2</sup> m. Aug. 25, 1663, Inego Potter, of Charlestown, and had children: —

- 44. I. John, b. —.
- 45. II. RICHARD, b. —.
- 46. III. INEGO, bapt. April 24, 1683.
- 47. IV. ROBERT, b. July 5; bapt. July 9, 1682.  
Mrs. Mary Potter died Feb. 10, 1686-7, aged forty-one years.

\* FAMILY No. 5. — *Pelleg*,<sup>2</sup> m., 1668, Elisabeth Morse; b. Sept. 1, 1647. They had —

- 48. I. ELISABETH, b. Jan. 9, 1669.
- 49. II. SAMUEL, b. Oct. 16, 1671; supposed to have lived in Sherburne; d. March, 1712, in Killingly, Conn., leaving Abigail a widow.
- 50. III. *Eleazer*, b. Feb. 28, 1674. 9, Littleton.
- 51. IV. JONATHAN, b. March 29, 1679; probably m. Abigail
- 52. —; lived in Sherburne; had a son, Jonathan, b. 1711.
- 53. V. ABIGAIL, b. Oct. 6, 1681.
- 54. VI. JEREMIAH, b. Jan. 3, 1686-7; d. April 26, 1687.
- 55. VII. JOSEPH, b. June 12, 1688; went to Connecticut before 1712, and settled in Plainfield.
- 56. VIII. DANIEL, b. —.
- 57. IX. SUSANNA, b. —.

The last two names are given as children in the inventory of Pelog Lawrence made 1695. He died in Groton, where these children were born, in 1692, aged forty-five years.

\* FAMILY No. 6. — *Enoch*,<sup>2</sup> m. March 6, 1676, in Water-

GENERATION No. III.

73. I. Jonathan, b. Dec. 27, 1724, in Charlestown. 20, Woburn.

74. II. EBENEZER, b. —; m., April 2, 1754, widow Sarah Basou, of Groton; lived in Stoneham; had son  
75. Ebenezer, b. Sept. 19, 1769, in Stoneham.

Deacon Jonathan Lawrence was chosen, May 20, 1765, one of the committee to tune the psalm in the Stoneham congregation; was repeatedly chosen moderator of the town-meeting; and took an active part in town and parish business until near his death, 1774, when nearly eighty years old.

30 FAMILY No. 9. — Eleazer, m. Mary —, b. about 1679, and had —

76. I. ELISABETH, b. Feb. 28, 1699; m. — Buttrick; and  
78. d., leaving children and heirs.

79. II. Peleg, b. June 1, 1701. 21, Groton and Pepperell.

80. III. Jonathan, b. Oct. 4, 1703. 22, Littleton.

81. IV. David, b. Dec. 26, 1705. 23, Littleton.

82. V. MARY, b. —; m. — Fletcher.

83. VI. Sarah, b. —. 24, Groton.

84. VII. Samuel, b. May 2, 1714. 25, Littleton.

85. VIII. EXPERIENCE, b. June 22, 1719; m. Jabez Keep.

86. IX. Prudence, b. April 7, 1722. 26, Groton.

87. X. Eleazer, b. —; named in his father's will; may have been the fifth child. 27, Littleton.

The children of Major Eleazer Lawrence were born in Groton, though the births of some were not recorded. He lived also in Littleton, and a short time in Pepperell; and died March 9, 1754, aged eighty years. Mrs. Mary Lawrence departed this life June 29, 1761, in the eighty-second year of her age.

30 FAMILY No. 10. — Nathaniel, m. Anna Scripture, of Mason, N.H., by whom he had children in Groton:

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GENERATION No. IV.

The great, the wealthy, fear thy blow,  
From pomp and pleasure torn;  
But, oh! a blest relief to those  
That, weary-laden, mourn."

79 FAMILY No. 21. — Peleg,<sup>4</sup> m. Ruth —, by whom he had these: —

189. I. Oliver, b. March 18, 1728, in Groton. 63, Hollis, N.H. \*

190. II. Ruth, b. Jan. 28, 1730.

191. III. Mary, b. March 23, 1733. 64, Groton.

192. IV. Ephraim, b. March 31, 1735. 65, Pepperell.

193. V. Asa, b. June 14, 1737. 66, Groton.

194. VI. SARAH, b. July 24, 1739; d. July 24, 1757, in Pepperell.

He was dismissed from the church of Groton, First Parish; and signed the covenant of the church in the West Parish, so called, gathered Jan. 29, 1746-7. On the building of a meeting-house, the parish "voted, Nov. 23, 1744, that Peleg Lawrence and Josiah Sartell be a Committee to the Great and General Court concerning y<sup>e</sup> having a meeting-house place in said parish."

He was chosen a deacon, Aug. 23, 1754; and died July 27, 1757, in his fifty-seventh year. Ruth Lawrence, the widow of Deacon Peleg, died the 4th of September, 1757, aged about fifty-seven years. The memorial on the gravestone of Deacon Peleg reads thus: —

"A Man of Wisdom, Prudence, Honesty,  
Public Spiritedness, and Piety;  
The poor Man's Friend,  
Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

80 FAMILY No. 22. — Jonathan,<sup>4</sup> m., about 1726-7, Tryphena Powers. They had children born in Littleton: —



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GENERATION No. IV.

195. I. Jonathan, b. Aug. 28, 1728. 67, Ashby.  
196. II. ISAAC, b. May 19, 1731; d. Feb. 6, 1756.  
197. III. Abel, b. July 16, 1733. 68, Penobscot, Me.  
198. IV. Tryphena, b. Sept. 26, 1735. 69, Canaan, Conn.  
199. V. BETTY, b. Feb. 24, 1737; m., 1754, William Stearns,  
of Littleton. (?)  
200. VI. Oliver, b. May 19, 1740. 70, Groton.  
201. VII. Peter, b. Oct. 14, 1722. 71, Townsend and Ashby.  
202. VIII. ABIGAIL, b. July 26, 1745; m., probably Sept. 15,  
1761, Parker Dole.  
203. IX. Timothy, b. March 31, 1748. 72, Littleton, and  
Hollis, N.H.  
204. X. Lucy, b. May 15, 1750. 73, Canaan, Conn.  
205. XI. BENJAMIN, b. Aug. 2, 1752.

"Mrs. Tryphena Lawrence Departed this life, August  
y<sup>e</sup> 25, A.D. 1752, In y<sup>e</sup> 42 year of Her Age."

He married, Oct. 10, 1754, Lydia Fletcher, of Groton.  
He was elected a deacon of the church in Littleton,  
Aug. 26, 1763. "Dea. Jonathan Lawrence de-  
parted this life Dec. y<sup>e</sup> 8th, 1789, Aged 86 years  
1 month and 23 days."

"Mrs. Lydia Lawrence, wife of Dea. Jonathan Law-  
rence, died (in Hollis, N.H.) March 21, 1803, in  
the 90th year of her age."

"An excellent woman."

A basin called the "Christening Basin," said to have  
been used at the christening of the first child bap-  
tized in Groton, handed down through Deacon  
Jonathan Lawrence's descendants, has been given  
into my keeping by Mrs. Dorcas Fletcher, a grand-  
daughter of his.

<sup>11</sup> FAMILY No. 23. — David, m. Hannah Sawtel, of Gro-  
ton, and had in Littleton, —

GENERATION No. V.

- <sup>126</sup> FAMILY No. 66. — ~~Asa~~,<sup>s</sup> m., July 27, 1757, Abigail King, of Littleton, and had children: —
568. I. ELISABETH, b. Sept. 4, 1753; d. June 22, 1785, in Groton.
569. II. ROWLAND, b. March 25, 1763; d. June 17, 1812, in Groton.
570. III. ROGERS, b. March 6, 1764; lived and died in Castine, Me.
571. IV. EPHRAIM, b. —; lived in Gray, Me.; d., leaving children.
572. V. DIADEMIA, b. Aug. 24, 1771; d. Oct. 18, 1778.
573. VI. PHILOMELA, b. Oct. 22, 1773; d. Aug. 18, 1775.
574. VII. HORATIO GATES, b. June 11, 1777; d. Oct. 28, 1778.
575. VIII. Abigail, b. —. 160, Claremont, N.H.
576. IX. ASA, b. —; lived in Boston, and d., leaving children.
577. X. HENRY, b. —; died in Groton.
- " Captain Asa Lawrence was buried in the old Burial Ground in Groton." Mrs. Abigail Lawrence d. June, 1829, and was buried in Claremont, N.H.

- <sup>126</sup> FAMILY No. 67. — Jonathan,<sup>s</sup> m. Oct. 31, 1751, Martha Leighton, whose children were —
578. I. Martha, b. May 20, 1752. 161, Groton.
579. II. JOHN, b. Oct. 7, 1754.
580. III. ISAAC, b. Oct. 19, 1756; m., 1778, Anna Hodgman.
581. IV. SARAH, b. Oct. 19, 1756; d. Dec. 28, 1756.
582. V. JONATHAN, b. 1760; d. in Ashby, Jan. 28, 1778.
- " Mr. Jonathan Lawrence died Dec. 2, 1775, aged forty-seven years. The widow, Martha L., died in Groton, 1795. A daughter Martha was administratrix of her estate.

- <sup>126</sup> FAMILY No. 68. — ~~Abel~~,<sup>s</sup> m. Phebe Farr. Their children, born in Maine, were —
583. I. ABEL, b. —.

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584. II. LYDIA, b. —. By a second wife, — Deborah Gordon.  
585. III. ISAAC, b. —.  
586. IV. REBECCA, b. —; m. Samuel Chamberlain, of Vermont; d. without children.  
587. V. LUCY, b. July 18, —; m. Jan. 15, 1789, — Gross; had nine children; d. May 11, 1846, in Orland, Me.  
588-96.  
597. VI. SARAH, b. Nov. 22, —; m. J. Davis; had thirteen children; d. Sept. 14, 1847.  
598-610.  
611. VII. John Gordon, b. May 30, 1775. 162, Orland, Me.  
612. VIII. TRYPHENA, b. Jan. 7, 1782, in Rindge, N.H. (?); m., April 12, 1797, Edward Sanders. Penobscot, No. 2.  
613. IX. Edward, b. Aug. 11, 1784. 163, Castine, Me.  
Mr. Abel Lawrence died May 5, 1817, in Weston, Vt., aged eighty-four years; where also the widow Deborah Lawrence died, about 1821.

186 FAMILY No. 69. — Tryphena,<sup>5</sup> m., Sept. 3, 1754, Jonas Lawrence, of Canaan, Conn., and had these:

614. I. LYDIA, b. —.  
615. II. William Solomon. 164, Canaan.  
616. III. Abiah, b. Nov. 30, 1760. 165, West Stockbridge.  
617. IV. Abel, b. Sept. 22, 1763. 166, Canaan, Conn.  
618. V. Josiah, b. Oct. 16, 1765. 167, Canaan, Conn.  
619. VI. Tryphena, b. July 4, 1768. 168, Whitesborough, N.Y.  
620. VII. Charlotte, b. Oct. 13, 1770. 169, Canaan, Conn.  
621. VIII. Consider, b. Feb. 8, 1777. 170, Canaan, Conn.  
622. IX. William, b. Jan. 31, 1779. 171, Canaan, Conn.  
Mr. Jonas Lawrence died May 22, 1793; his widow, in West Stockbridge, Mass., Jan. 31, 1795.

200 FAMILY No. 70. — Oliver,<sup>5</sup> m., Oliver Fletcher, of Groton, and had children: —

623. I. OLIVE, b. Sept. 24, 1760; probably d. young.  
624. II. OLIVER, b. Jan. 12, 1762; probably d. young.  
625. III. PHEBE, b. Jan. 28, 1764.

GENERATION No. VI.

<sup>611</sup> FAMILY No. 162. — **John Gordon**,<sup>s</sup> m., Elisabeth Sanders, of Penobscot Plantation, and had —

1427. I. **Joseph S.**, b. April 10, 1796. 299, Bucksport, Me.  
1428. II. **Abel**, b. May 13, 1797. 300, Bucksport, Me.  
1429. III. **DEBORAH**, b. Jan. 19, 1799; m., Nov. 5, 1816, David Varnum; had four children; d. Sept. 10, 1822.  
1434. IV. **Belton**, b. Oct. 19, 1800. 301, Orland, Me.  
1435. V. **JOHN**,<sup>s</sup> b. March 17, 1802; m. Ruth Cole; d. May 11, 1831.  
1436. VI. **THOMAS S.**, b. July 16, 1803; d. same month.  
1437. VII. **Rebecca C.**, b. May 23, 1805. 302, Dedham, Me.  
1438. VIII. **MANLY HARDY**, b. Oct. 4, 1807; d. same month.  
1439. IX. **ANNA S.**, b. June 3, 1809.  
1440. X. **Margaret S.**, b. Aug. 22, 1811. 303, Bucksport, Me.

Mrs. Elisabeth Lawrence died in Bucksport, June 23, 1846, aged seventy-seven years.

He died Aug. 3, 1852, in Dedham, Me., aged seventy-seven years.

<sup>613</sup> FAMILY No. 163. — **Edward**,<sup>s</sup> m., Sarah Orcutt, b. Jan. 5, 1793, in Castine, and had —

1441. I. **Darius A.**, b. Nov. 26, 1808. 304, South Pass, Union Co., Ill.  
1442. II. **Ethiel**, b. April 22, 1812. 305, South Hadley, Mass.  
1443. III. **Sarima**, b. Aug. 5, 1814. 306, Castine, Me.  
1444. IV. **Hrsula**, b. April 6, 1817. 307, North Castine, Me.  
1445. V. **Edward Amos**, b. Dec. 9, 1821. 308, Portland, Me.  
1446. VI. **SAMUEL C.**, b. Sept. 18, 1824; m. Hepsia B. Shaw, of St. Louis, Mo., and has children, Ida, Frances, and Colin.  
1449. VII. **SARAH H.**, b. March 20, 1827; m., first, William Eastman, of Castine, and had George Willie and Jessie May; m., second, George W. Perkins, of Castine.  
1450-51.



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burgh, Vt.; had two children; d. in E., Nov. 7, 1841.

2609. III. DANIEL, b. Oct. 8, 1803; m.; had two children; d. in Melrose, Mass., Jan. 28, 1863.
2610. IV. LYDIA H., b. —; m. William B. Johnson, of Enosburgh; has six children; lives in Maysville, Iowa.
2611. V. WILLIAM PAYSON, b. July 23, 1809; m. Elizabeth Dexter, of Franklin, N.H.; five children; is a physician; resides in Brasher Falls, N.Y. He was Surgeon of the 2d Regiment N.H. Vols.; was in service about two years.
2612. VI. PAMELA, b. Nov. 31, 1811; m. Levi Dean, of Herri-  
ford, P.Q.; has five children; lives in Canaan, Vt.
2613. VII. PASCHAL, b. Nov. 31, 1811; married; has two chil-  
dren; resides in Malden, Mass.
2614. VIII. ALMIRA, b. May 18, 1814; m. Calvin Sawyer, of  
Eaton, P.Q.; has four children; resides in Eaton.
2615. IX. DAVID, b. July 3, 1816; married; had three chil-  
dren; died Oct. 2, 1861, in Charlestown, Mass.  
Mr. David Stone died Sept. 10, 1843, in Enosburgh,  
Vt., whither he removed in 1817, and where Mrs.  
Stone died July 18, 1838.

1427 FAMILY No. 299. — Joseph S., m., Jan. 11, 1818,  
Submit C. Ball, of Weston, Vt., b. April 10, 1798.  
Their children: —

2616. I. ABEL C., b. June 20, 1819; d. March 7, 1821.
2617. II. MABEL L., b. Dec. 7, 1822; d. Feb. 8, 1823.
2618. III. Mary M. R., b. Sept. 29, 1826. 436, Orland, Me.
2619. IV. SAMUEL C., b. April 8, 1830; m., September, 1853,  
Desire H. Thomas, of Stockton; had one son,  
John P., b. September, 1856; d. March 14, 1868.  
He was a sea-captain.
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2621. V. John B., b. Nov. 16, 1831. 437, Bucksport.  
The residence of the family is Weston, Vt.

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- 1428 FAMILY No. 300. — **Abel**, m., Aug. 28, 1817, Anna Blaisdell, of Orland, Me.; and had —
2622. I. **Daniel B.**, b. Dec. 19, 1817. 438, Bucksport.
2623. II. **JOHN NELSON**, b. March 16, 1819; d. February, 1845, while on the passage from New York to Texas.
2624. III. **Joseph C.**, b. Sept. 3, 1821. 439, Bucksport.
2625. IV. **MOSES S.**, b. Feb. 2, 1823; d. May 27, 1849.  
Mrs. Anna Lawrence died June 11, 1824. He married, next, Charlotte Gross; and had —
2626. V. **George C.**, b. Oct. 13, 1826. 440, Dedham, Me.
2627. VI. **ABEL R.**, b. Feb. 8, 1828.
2628. VII. **LORENZO**, b. Nov. 29, 1833; d. Feb. 5, 1834.
2629. VIII. **CORDELIA**, b. June 6, 1834; m., 1854, William H. Richardson, of Beaver, Me.; has five children.
2635. IX. **ENOCH S.**, b. May 2, 1838.
2636. X. **MARY ELISABETH**, b. Dec. 19, 1839.  
Mr. Abel Lawrence died July 29, 1853.

- 1434 FAMILY No. 301. — **West**, m., March 3, 1821, William W. West, b. Feb. 17, 1802, in Bucksport. Their children: —
2637. I. **Silas V.**, b. May 16, 1822; m., 1842, Nancy Litchfield.
2638. II. **JOHN H.**, b. Dec. 16, 1825; m., October, 1843, Hannah Farnham, of Brooksville, Me.
2639. III. **WILLIAM H.**, b. Sept. 22, 1827; m., 1852, Bridget Berry, of Marblehead, Mass. He is a sea-captain.
2640. IV. **SAMUEL C.**, b. Nov. 20, 1829.
2641. V. **DEBORAH A.**, b. July 20, 1831.
2642. VI. **MARY E.**, b. May 20, 1833.
2643. VII. **CATHERINE C.**, b. Feb. 17, 1835; m., December, 1861, John York, of Albany, Me.
2644. VIII. **SYLVESTER S.**, b. Dec. 31, 1839; lost at sea, March 3, 1854.

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2645. IX. RHODA E., b. July 20, 1843; m., October, 1860,  
James Young, of Surrey, a sea-captain.  
2646. X. JONAH D., b. May 18, 1845; a sailor.  
2647. XI. OLIVE E., b. Oct. 14, 1846; m., September, 1863,  
in Orland; Solomon Grass, of Rockland.  
These were born in Orland, Me., the residence of the  
family. Mr. William W. West died Feb. 17, 1856,  
in California.

- 147 FAMILY No. 302. — Rebecca C., m., April 11, 1824,  
Elijah W. Devereux, of Penobscot, b. May 2, 1794;  
and has —  
2648. I. JOSEPH L., b. April 19, 1825; drowned at sea, May  
27, 1846.  
2649. II. ABBY ANN, b. March 20, 1827; d. June 10, 1849.  
2650. III. REUBEN, b. Nov. 1, 1829; m., Jan. 7, 1855, Louisa  
H. Wilber, of Eastbrook; had son, Joseph L., b.  
Feb. 9, 1859; d. Dec. 21, 1859. His widow m.,  
July 22, 1860, Enoch L. Brown, d. Feb. 22, 1864.  
2651. IV. ELIJAH J., b. June 15, 1831.  
2652. V. NEHEMIAH, b. May 12, 1835; was a blacksmith;  
drowned July 4, 1854.  
2653. VI. RALPH W., b. March 14, 1843.  
Mr. Elijah W. Devereux died Jan. 29, 1859, in Ded-  
ham, aged sixty-five years; a teacher by pro-  
fession.

- 148 FAMILY No. 303. — Margaret S., m., May 16,  
1831, Thomas Oliver. Their children: —  
2654. I. JOSEPH A., b. Jan. 21, 1832; d. Sept. 20, 1841.  
2655. II. LEVI, b. March 29, 1833; m. Ruby Burt, Brooks-  
ville; d. Aug. 13, 1862.  
2656. III. MARTHA, b. June 29, 1833; d. Feb. 24, 1842.  
2657. IV. REBECCA E., b. June 8, 1841; m., Oct. 23, 1860,  
David Frunday, of Surrey. Children: Warren



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2003

# Reunion offers relatives chance

## to meet,

By NATALIE CHAMBERS

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LUCEDALE — Shirley (McGee) Bartlett of Tipton, Mo. has waited 68 years to meet her huge family.

It's not that she was so busy. She just didn't know who they were until recently. She flew into Mobile last week and is spending the Thanksgiving holiday in Lucedale absorbing everything she can about her interwoven family history.

"I think they are great. They may be a little sick, they accepted me," she said jokingly.

The reunion at Sally Jo Ezell's home has brought in cousins from far and near.

"We had a total of 43 people here today. We had a very good day, very nice," said Ezell.

"This is Shirley's first time meeting a bunch of them," she said.

Leona McGee Looper, 56, and Kenny McGee, 51, came from Fort Worth, Texas. Vernon McGee traveled from Conway, Ark. Rebecca Ivey and Charleen Weaver came from Jackson, Miss., and Renee Littlepage drove in from Mobile, Ala.

Thursday's gathering culminated more than a year of planning. Vernon McGee had originally planned to host it in Arkansas but Ezell's health problems led to it being held at her home in Lucedale.

Everyone was excited, often talking simultaneously while trying to get a fact or a date pertaining to their life's history.

Bartlett was born in 1935 and adopted a year later.

"I heard the word at three and didn't know what it meant so I have been searching for my family in my mind at least 65 years," she said.

Her adopted parents told her very little about her background. She grew up as an only child.

"I was told unbelievable stories. I think if I was told up front, I probably wouldn't have even searched. I wouldn't know to search. But I wasn't complete and I had to know why I never felt complete," she said.

When Bartlett's adopted parents died approximately 22 years ago, she went through their paperwork and found two birth certificates. The first birth certificate was in the birth name Pauline Roberta McGee. The second had the adopted name Shirley Ann Butter.

Bartlett put a finder on the case.

"When I got that telephone call I was mystified. I was lonely growing up, the only child. Then I was told by this finder that I had that 'Oh my, you come from a big family and they are all down south.' I just said, 'What?' I could hardly grasp it all," Bartlett said.

"I always felt like there a piece of me was out there. I could never explain that feeling. The day I was told to call Sally Jo and the minute she said hello, it's gone. That was it. I knew I had found my family. I am home. I have never been happier in my whole life," she said.

Bartlett and her cousins story began years ago with their parents — four siblings who were placed in a siblings home in Jackson, Miss., when their parents', Bertha Jane Rimmer and Fred Bell McGee, union failed.

The four siblings are now deceased, Ezell said.

Lillian McGee McLeod (Peak), birthed Ezell and another daughter who died at six months.





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**ABOVE:** More than 43 members of Sally Ezell (bottom right) family came together in Lucedale on Thanksgiving Day to welcome another cousin, Shirley Bartlett of Missouri (seated second row/far left). The family learned of Bartlett's existence not very long ago. Bartlett, who was adopted at age 1, grew up an only child but used a locator service to find her relatives. **LEFT:** Leona McGee Looper of Fort Worth, Texas and Sally Ezell of Lucedale shed a few tears of joy after uniting with Shirley Bartlett of Tipton, Mo., a cousin they never knew existed.



Lillian's twin is Leon McGee McLeod McGee. He had seven children, which include Kenny, Vernon and Leona.

Kitty Mae McGee Frederick gave birth to Bartlett out of wedlock and put her up for adoption.

The fourth sibling, Mary Frankie McGee, was adopted and renamed Dorothy Dean Riser. She married Charlton Alexander Weaver. She gave birth to Ivey, Weaver and Littlepage. A son died at six months.

The twins, Lillian and Leon, were adopted by Neil and Sallie McLeod of Vernal, Miss.

It's unknown whether Frederick was adopted. She was shifted to several homes, Ezell said.

Most of the cousins knew each other but they didn't know about Bartlett until 1997, said Ezell.

"We don't have sound documentation," she said.

The reunion has been a learning experience for them all, nostalgic pictures to look at and old letters to read.

The rest of the family learned that Bartlett was in show business. She played guitar, saxophone and clarinet. "I was a stage performer for many years, television, radio. I performed at the Grand Ole Opry, before Loretta Lynn was there, for two weeks," she said.

Bartlett said she had visited Mississippi before but didn't know she had relatives there.

Bartlett had two children. She said one died of cancer at age 31 and the other lives in Independence, Mo.

"He's a rebel. He grew up with the adopted parents so that's the only life he knows and wants to know but Vernon had met him and he has talked to him on the phone before. The Lord will get him here," she said.